

November 2020

"Follow the Bells"



The Church Bell



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A Message From Pastor Casey

"A Sample of the Tapestry of Life"

Pastor Case
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The church has always been a favorite place of many during these last two months of the year. Finishing touches are being completed for Christmas missions such as Operation Christmas Child and Stockings for Troops. Thanksgiving arrangements are being planned. Thanksgiving decorations are going up, and Christmas trimmings are being prepared. The church's interior will soon change from that of fall to that of winter. She will be beautifully adorned.

In the midst of all of these holiday preparations there is one element that is key. It is the bringing together of family to accomplish all of these tasks in time for the holidays. The church truly is a family. Many have come to the church and felt her warmth. They get involved with her many activities. They shape her and help build her. They make the church into their home. Others come each Sunday, but they never get involved with any ministry or volunteer work in the church. They have no desire to call the church their home for their home is still in the world. They sit contently in their pews, on the sidelines but never get involved and soon they leave the church never understanding what church really is.

Families all over the world welcome new members into their lives every year, and the church needs to remember to do the same. There may be tasks that we love to do, but it is okay to try something new and allow another to perform those hallowed traditions that we have enjoyed. We are family. It is important for us to be involved just like a family of blood relatives. We are a family of faith. For those who have not made the church their home, this is the time. This is the time to be a part of the family of God. You will find rich and poor, old and young. You will find people with struggles and people with success. Most importantly you will find the hands of all these people coming together to lift each other up and help each other. You will find people with old worn out jeans next to a person in a beautiful suit wrapping arms around each other and helping one another through difficult times.



Worship Leaders

Nov. 1 Jeff Byler and Sharon Hopkins
 Nov. 8 Carol Robinson and Amy Seger
 Nov. 15 Amy Popichak and Curtis Bell
 Nov. 22 Spencer Chapman and Ron Miller
 Nov. 29 Linda Swauger and Justin Klamut

Pastor Casey

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Mon– Thurs.

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Coffee Fellowship



Nov. 1 Bob and Betty Evans
 Nov. 8 Jeff and Brenda
 Nov.15 Sharon Hopkins
 Nov. 22 Joyce Hall
 Nov. 29 Brenda and Brad,
Roy and Marsha Nichols

At the end they will stand back and look at the beautiful tapestry of life that they weaved together, and they will see the works of their hands and how God has used them.

The completion of holiday preparations is a small sample that people can see of the beauty that comes from all of God's people coming along side one another as a family to make something beautiful. Come and make something beautiful with us. Come and find a home.

Pastor Casey

Do you know that a simple "hello"
can be a sweet one?
I received one recently from my friend,
in a mail she sent to me.
Here's what she wrote:
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The word HELLO means :
H=How are you?
E=Everything all right?
L=Like to hear from you
L=Love to see you soon!
O=Obviously, I miss you...
So, HELLO!
It has made me smile every time
I say hello since then....
So send this message to the people
you care about and say hello to them.

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October— Financial Report

Our monthly Budget for 2020 of \$13,000 explains
the amount needed to maintain our church.

October 1, 2020 to October 30, 2020

Offering Received	\$ 7,742.00
Expenses	\$ -12,368.00
Balance	\$ -4,626.00

Mortgage Payment \$1,883.24

Loan Balance \$ 76,380.00



"Happy Birthday"

<i>November 12</i>	<i>Ruth Young</i>
<i>November 15</i>	<i>Doris Bennett</i>
<i>November 15</i>	<i>Sharon Hopkins</i>
<i>November 22</i>	<i>Carol Glancy</i>

Anniversaries

November 15
Greg and Amy Seger

November 25
Brad and Brenda Bevan

Important Meetings

**** Thursday, November 5***

*L.O.A.F meets at the
Nazarene Church*

**** Tuesday, November 3***

Finance Meeting 6:15 pm

Board Meeting 7pm

**** Saturday, Nov. 14***

Breakfast with Friends



***Church Elders
Meet***

***Third Sunday
In the month
— 8 am —***

Board Room

"Breakfast with Friends"



Four Star Restaurant

Saturday, November 7 — 10am

Good Food, conversation and a short meeting.

Craft Show -Cookie Sale

Come meet and greet each other.

Give your ideas and opinions.

All women are invited.





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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1. All Saints Day! Sunday Service 10am Sunday School 8:55am	2. 	3.	4.	5. L.O.A.F. Nazarene Church 10am Aerobics	6.	7. Aerobics 
8. Sunday Service 10am Adult Sunday School 8:55am	9. Aerobics	10. <u>Meetings</u> Finance 6:15pm Board 7 pm	11. Veterans Day 	12. Aerobics	13.	14.. Aerobics Breakfast with Friends 10am
15. Service at 10am Adult Sunday School 8:55am	16..  Aerobics	17.	18.	19. Aerobics	20.	21. Aerobics
22. Service at 10am Adult Sunday School 8:55am	23. Aerobics	24. 	25. 	Thanksgiving 	27. 	28. Holiday Craft Sale
29. Service at 10am Adult Sunday School 8:5am	30. Aerobics					Aerobics

Pray for our "Shut-Ins" and "other friends". They would enjoy a Thinking of you card or a joke or story you found in a magazine. Maybe a phone call, just say "hello" to our friends.


*Lord,
Hear Our
Prayer*

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The Temple Guard

By Rev. Casey Chapman, Pastor

In 1st Chronicles 26, the Bible records those who served as gatekeepers in the LORD's Temple. These men had their specific duties as verse 12 states that "these divisions of gatekeepers, under their leading men, had duties for ministering in the LORD's Temple..." Lots were cast to decide who would guard which gate. As you can imagine these gate keepers were to keep the Temple of the LORD secure.

Today, our church is birthing a new ministry among our brothers and sisters that is similar to that biblical organization of old, the Temple Guard. Though, this group of Christians here goes by another name, the Safety Team. We put our trust in Christ to protect us, but it is evident in the Bible that God wants us to be prepared for Him to use. We pray that through this Safety Team that God will protect us just as we pray that through doctors and nurses that God will heal us when we are ill. I wanted to informally introduce this team in this short writing and what they will be doing, along with what you will notice at CCC in the future.

First, to alleviate any concerns, you should not notice any significant changes. We now, and for some time, have had a "gatekeeper" stationed in the lobby to let people in through the locked doors, which have been locked for years at the start of the service. There may, periodically, be some announcements to the congregation regarding what to do in the event of any type of emergency at CCC.

Secondly, as to what the Safety Team is focusing on. They will help in the event the fire alarm sounds during service to check the building. They will be able to help in the event of a medical emergency, and will know where to escort people in the event of a tornado, and they will be trained to respond as a team in the event of a police emergency. Ultimately, this team is being developed to keep everyone on the same page.

We want people to safely and uniformly respond to any type of emergency that could occur. We want those who conceal carry to let our team know and be a part of our team rather than being the Lone Ranger, so no accidents happen in the heat of a moment. You will be hearing more information about this to come. If you have any interest in serving on the Safety Team, please see Elder Jeff Byler or Pastor Casey Chapman. God bless you.



Thanksgiving Day 2020



Thanksgiving Day is a national holiday in the United States, and Thanksgiving 2020 occurs on Thursday, November 26. In 1621, the Plymouth colonists and Wampanoag Indians shared an autumn harvest feast that is acknowledged today as one of the first Thanksgiving celebrations in the colonies.

For more than two centuries, days of thanksgiving were celebrated by individual colonies and states. It wasn't until 1863, in the midst of the Civil War, that President Abraham Lincoln proclaimed a national Thanksgiving Day to be held each November.

Thanksgiving at Plymouth

In September 1620, a small ship called the Mayflower left Plymouth, England, carrying 102 passengers—an assortment of religious separatists seeking a new home where they could freely practice their faith and other individuals lured by the promise of prosperity and land ownership in the New World. After a treacherous and uncomfortable crossing that lasted 66 days, they dropped anchor near the tip of Cape Cod, far north of their intended destination at the mouth of the Hudson River. One month later, the Mayflower crossed Massachusetts Bay, where the Pilgrims, as they are now commonly known, began the work of establishing a village at Plymouth.

Did you know? Lobster, seal and swans were on the Pilgrims' menu.

Throughout that first brutal winter, most of the colonists remained on board the ship, where they suffered from exposure, scurvy and outbreaks of contagious disease. Only half of the Mayflower's original passengers and crew lived to see their first New England spring. In March, the remaining settlers moved ashore, where they received an astonishing visit from an Abenaki Indian who greeted them in English.

Several days later, he returned with another Native American, Squanto, a member of the Pawtuxet tribe who had been kidnapped by an English sea captain and sold into slavery before escaping to London and returning to his homeland on an exploratory expedition. Squanto taught the Pilgrims, weakened by malnutrition and illness, how to cultivate corn, extract sap from maple trees, catch fish in the rivers and avoid poisonous plants. He also helped the settlers forge an alliance with the Wampanoag, a local tribe, which would endure for more than 50 years and tragically remains one of the sole examples of harmony between European colonists and Native Americans.

In November 1621, after the Pilgrims' first corn harvest proved successful, Governor William Bradford organized a celebratory feast and invited a group of the fledgling colony's Native American allies, including the Wampanoag chief Massasoit. Now remembered as America's "first Thanksgiving"—although the Pilgrims themselves may not have used the term at the time—the festival lasted for three days. While no record exists of the first Thanksgiving's exact menu, much of what we know about what happened at the first Thanksgiving comes from Pilgrim chronicler Edward Winslow, who wrote:

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“Our harvest being gotten in, our governor sent four men on fowling, that so we might after a special manner rejoice together, after we had gathered the fruits of our labors; they four in one day killed as much fowl, as with a little help beside, served the Company almost a week, at which time amongst other Recreations, we exercised our Arms, many of the Indians coming amongst us, and amongst the rest their greatest king Massasoit, with some ninety men, whom for three days we entertained and feasted, and they went out and killed five Deer, which they brought to the Plantation and bestowed on our Governor, and upon the Captain and others. And although it be not always so plentiful, as it was at this time with us, yet by the goodness of God, we are so far from want, that we often wish you partakers of our plenty.”

Historians have suggested that many of the dishes were likely prepared using traditional Native American spices and cooking methods. Because the Pilgrims had no oven and the Mayflower’s sugar supply had dwindled by the fall of 1621, the meal did not feature pies, cakes or other desserts, which have become a hallmark of contemporary celebrations.

In 1827, the noted magazine editor and prolific writer [Sarah Josepha Hale](#)—author, among countless other things, of the nursery rhyme “Mary Had a Little Lamb”—launched a campaign to establish Thanksgiving as a national holiday. For 36 years, she published numerous editorials and sent scores of letters to governors, senators, presidents and other politicians, earning her the nickname the “Mother of Thanksgiving.”

[Abraham Lincoln](#) finally heeded her request in 1863, at the height of the Civil War, in a proclamation entreating all Americans to ask God to “commend to his tender care all those who have become widows, orphans, mourners or sufferers in the lamentable civil strife” and to “heal the wounds of the nation.” He scheduled Thanksgiving for the final Thursday in November, and it was celebrated on that day every year until 1939, when Franklin D. Roosevelt moved the holiday up a week in an attempt to spur retail sales during the Great Depression. Roosevelt’s plan, known derisively as Franksgiving, was met with passionate opposition, and in 1941 the president reluctantly signed a bill making Thanksgiving the fourth Thursday in November.

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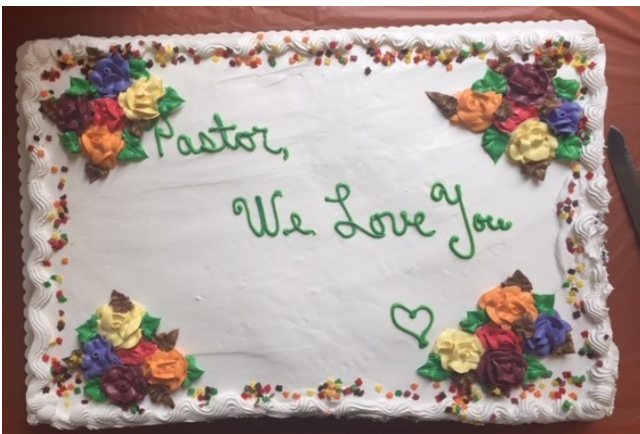


Pastor Appreciation Day

October 18th, 2020



A great Day at CCC. A luncheon, being served by ladies of the church, and a huge cake. And a basket of well wishes. Plus lots of conversation.



Chuck cheering for the Steelers, and as you can see Linda seems to be a Browns Fan.



Is this a Steelers Tie???



Steelers and Browns

A wealthy man and his son loved to collect rare works of art. They had everything in their collection, from Picasso to Raphael.
They would often sit together and admire the great works of art..

Take my Son.....

When the Vietnam-conflict broke out, the son went to war. He was very courageous and died in battle while rescuing another soldier. The father was notified and grieved deeply for his only son.

About a month later, just before Christmas,

There was a knock at the door.
A young man stood at the door with a large package
in his hands..

He said, 'Sir, you don't know me, but I am the soldier for whom your son gave his life.
He saved many lives that day and he was carrying me to safety
when a bullet struck him in the heart and he died instantly..
He often talked about you, and your love for art. 'The young man held out this package.

'I know this isn't much. I'm not really a great artist, but I think your son would have wanted
you to have this.'

The father opened the package.
It was a portrait of his son, painted by the young man. He stared in awe at the way the soldier
had captured the personality of his son in the painting.
The father was so drawn to the eyes that his own eyes welled up with tears.
He thanked the young man and offered to pay him for the picture..
'Oh, no sir, I could never repay what your son did for me.
It's a gift.'

The father hung the portrait over his mantle. Every time visitors came to his home
he took them to see the portrait of his son before he showed them any of the other
great works he had collected.

The man died a few months later. There was to be a great auction of his paintings.
Many influential people gathered, excited over seeing the great paintings and having
an opportunity to purchase one for their collection.

On the platform sat the painting of the son. The auctioneer pounded his gavel.
'We will start the bidding with this picture of the son. Who will bid for this picture?'

There was silence...

Then a voice in the back of the room shouted, 'We want to see the famous paintings.
Skip this one.'

But the auctioneer persisted. 'Will somebody bid for this painting?
Who will start the bidding?
\$100, — \$200.'

Another voice angrily. 'We didn't come to see this painting. We came to see the Van Gogh's,
the Rembrandts. Get on with the Real bids!'

But still the auctioneer continued. 'The son! The son! Who'll take the son?'

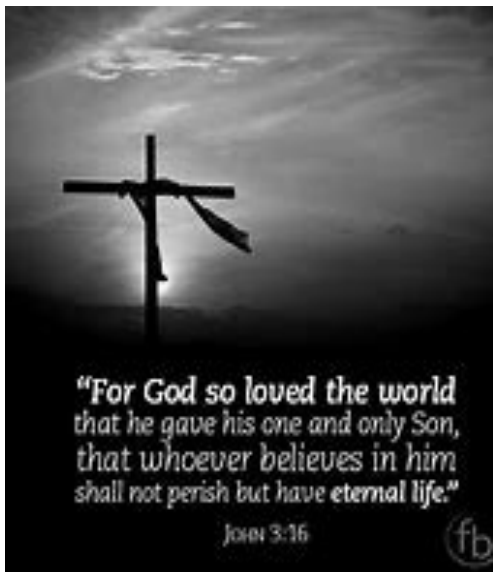
Finally, a voice came from the very back of the room.
It was the longtime gardener of the man and his son.
'I'll give \$10 for the painting..' Being a poor man, it was all he could afford.

'We have \$10, who will bid \$20?'

'Give it to him for \$10. Let's see the masters.'

The crowd was becoming angry. They didn't want the picture of the son.
They wanted the more worthy investments for their collections.

The auctioneer pounded the gavel.. 'Going once, twice, SOLD for \$10!'



A man sitting on the second row shouted,
'Now let's get on with the collection!'

The auctioneer laid down his gavel.
'I'm sorry, the auction is over.'

'What about the paintings?'

'I am sorry. When I was called to conduct this auction,
I was told of a secret stipulation in the will...
I was not allowed to reveal that stipulation
until this time.'

Only the painting of the son would be auctioned.
Whoever bought that painting would
inherit the entire estate,
including the paintings.

The man who took the son gets everything!'

God gave His son over 2,000 years ago to die on the Cross.
Much like the auctioneer, His message today is:

'The Son, the Son, who'll take the Son?'

Because, you see, whoever takes the Son gets everything!

FOR GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD HE GAVE HIS ONLY BEGOTTEN SON



Veterans Day 2020

Restaurants and more—Discounts:

<https://www.military.com/veterans-day/restaurants-veterans-day-military-discounts.html>

Hug a Veteran and say Thank You for your Service...

The Tate Family

I'm not sure if this is a church joke or not?

How many members of the Tate family belong to your church?

There is old man Dic-Tate who wants to run everything, while Uncle Ro-Tate tries to change everything. There's sister Agi-Tate who stirs up plenty of trouble, with help from her husband, Irri-Tate. Whenever new projects are suggested, Hesi-Tate and his wife, Vege-Tate, want to wait until next year. Then there is Aunt Imi-Tate, who wants our church to be like all the others. Devas-Tate provides the voice of doom, while Poten-Tate wants to be a big shot. But not all members of the family are bad. Brother Facili-Tate is quite helpful in church matters. And a delightful, happy member of the family is Miss Feli-ci-Tate. Cousins Cogi-Tate and Medi-Tate always think things over and lend helpful, steady hands. And of course there is the black sheep of the family, Ampu-Tate, who has completely cut himself off from the church. How about it - do you know anyone in the "Tate" family?

Whoever said that
diamonds are
a girls best friend..



Never owned a dog.



This is so true.. A dog can make you smile and
feel comforted in any situation.

God Made Dogs to reflect His love. What would
life be without them? Ask someone who has had
a dog as their best friend.

What rock group consists of four famous men, but
none of them sing?

A. The faces on Mount Rushmore!

I'm the size of an elephant, but I weigh nothing.
What am I?

A. An elephant's shadow!

A man was driving a truck. His headlights weren't on, and the
moon wasn't out. Ahead of him, a woman dressed in all black
started crossing the road. Fortunately, the man braked so she
could cross. How did he see her?

A. It was the middle of the day!

There is a house with four walls. All of the walls are fac-
ing south. A bear is circling the house. What color is the

*White! If all walls of the house are facing south, the house
must be on the North Pole, so the bear is a polar bear.*

A magician promises that he can throw a ball as hard as he
can and have it stop, change direction, and come back to
him. He claims he can do it without the ball bouncing off of
anything, the ball being tied to anything, or the use of mag-
nets. How is this possible?

A. He throws the ball straight up in

The Holiday Craft Fair



November 28th
10am-3pm

Save the Date....

**Lots of Crafters and Vendors,
Bake Sale and
Lunch of soup and sandwich
Will be available..**



Volunteer to bake , work in kitchen, or what ever is needed. This is a fun project.



Saturday, December 14, 9am—?

Are you ready to Mix, Roll and Bake? Decorate and Sell Cookies?

We have a place for you. We will be doing all the above on

December 1, 2, 3 Frosting, Baking and Decorating and on

Decorating on December 10, 11,12

Last year we used the profits to carpet the Baldwin Room, supported a missionary in Greece, Casa Julie in Mexico, sponsored Stockings for the Troops, and many other missions.

Pumpkin Cookies with Brown Butter Frosting

2/3 c. sugar
2/3 c. packed brown sugar
3/4 c. butter or margarine, softened
1 t. vanilla
1/2 c. pumpkin (not mix)
2 eggs
2 1/4 c/ flour
1 t. soda
1 t. ground cinnamon
1/2 t. salt.

Brown Butter Frosting:

3 c. powdered sugar
1 t. vanilla
3-4 T. milk
1/3 c. butter, browned in skillet

Heat oven to 375 degrees. In a large bowl beat sugar, brown sugar, 3/4 c. butter and 1 teaspoon vanilla.

With electric mixer scraping bowl occasionally until well blended.

Beat in pumpkin and eggs until well

mixed. On low speed, beat in flour, baking soda, cinnamon and salt.

On greased cookie sheets, drop dough by heaping tablespoonfuls.

Bake 9-10 minutes or until almost no indentation remains when touched in center. Immediately remove from cookie sheet to cooling rack. Cool completely.



In medium bowl, place powdered sugar mixture. Beat on low speed about 1 minute or until smooth. Brown the butter in a skillet (do not let burn). Cool slightly. Add to the powdered sugar mixture. Gradually add just enough of the remaining 1 T. milk to make the frosting spreadable. Generously frost cooled cookies....

Thanksgiving Word Search

