

Those To Serve

Sunday, November 24, 2024

A.M. Prayers

Opening: Jim Bangs

Closing: Bobby Smithee

P.M. Prayers

Opening: Randy Harris

Closing: Dwayne Millikin

Singing: Johnny Knabe

Wednesday, November 27, 2024

Singing: Bill Cline

Devotional: Johnny Knabe

The Record:

Attendance:

Sunday, November 17, 2024

AM 51 PM 34

[Average for the Year]

AM [57] PM [36]

Wednesday, November 20, 2024

38 *[Average for the Year]* [38]

Contribution:

Sunday, November 17, 2024

Actual \$ 2,488.00; Budget \$ 2,500.00

[Year-to-Date] \$ 110,769.00

[Average] \$ 2,408.02

[+/- Budget] \$ (12.00)

[YTD +/- Budget] \$ (5,029.00)

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Thoughts from Bill:

How Important Is It to Express Thankfulness?

1 Chronicles 16: 1-4, 7-10

The text for this article comes from a passage that celebrates the bringing of the Ark of the Covenant to the special tent that David had prepared for it in Jerusalem. The Ark of the Covenant had been taken in battle several years earlier by the Philistines, and after it was recovered, it had been away from Jerusalem. David wanted to bring it home, and on its arrival there was a feast of thanksgiving. I want to share some things we should learn from this special day as we consider how important it is to express thanksgiving.

First of all, the giving of thanks must be intentional. One would hope that it would be automatic to give thanks, but unfortunately it is not. We see this in the case of the ten

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Plan of Salvation

Hear

Mark 12:29; Romans 10:17; Acts 2:22

Believe

Hebrews 11:6

Repent

Luke 13:3, 5; Acts 2:38

Confession

Matthew 10:32, 33

Baptism

Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; 1 Peter 3:21

Sermons for November 24, 2024

A.M.—How Important Is It to Express Thankfulness?

P.M.—The Power of His Presence

Scripture: 1 Chronicles 16:1-4, 7-10

Schedule of Services

Sunday Bible Class: 9:00 AM

Sunday AM Worship: 10:00

Sunday PM Worship: 5:00

Wed. Bible Study: 6:00 PM

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people with leprosy cured by Jesus with only one returning to thank Him (Lu. 17:17-18). David knew that the arrival of the Ark was special, and he wanted to make sure the people expressed thanksgiving for the Ark's return (1 Chron. 16:4). Expressing thankfulness is something we should always do, and it should be a regular part of our lives, not just an occasional activity. If we praise and thank God as we should, we will remember His great kindness towards us, and our love and appreciation for Him will grow. Perhaps this is why Paul wrote in 1 Thessalonians 5:18, ". . . in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." We may need to establish a time of thanksgiving every day as seen in Daniel's life (Dan. 6:10). Again, if we praise God continually, we will not find ourselves taking His blessings for granted.

From David's song in 1 Chronicles 16:8-36, there are four significant aspects of thankfulness seen. First, we must remember what God has done for us (vs. 9, 12, 23), and we will truly remember that He has been mindful of us (Psa. 115:12). Second, we need to tell others about what God has done for us (vs. 8, 23-24). The Psalmist writes in Psalms 105:1, "Oh, give thanks to the Lord! Call upon His name; Make known His deeds among the peoples!" Thirdly, there is the concept of showing God's glory to others (vs. 10, 28-29; Psa. 29:2, 96:3, 100:4). Finally, we must be willing to offer our gifts of self, time, and resources to God (vs. 28-29; Matt. 6:33; Rom. 12:1).

Finally, we want to consider some things that we should be thankful for in our lives. We should be thankful for God's goodness in our lives, for He truly has been so good to us (vs. 34; Psa. 68:12-19, 106:1; James 1:17). As God's people, we should be thankful for His deliverance from the bondage of sin through Jesus Christ, God's indescribable gift (Psa. 103:2-3; Rom. 6:17; 2 Cor. 9:15). Finally, we should be thankful for the hope of heaven we have through the risen Savior (1 Cor. 15:57-58).

Again, let us remember the words of Paul in 1 Thessalonians 5:18: ". . . in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you."

News and Notes

Those We Need to Remember in Prayer: **Bill Coles** still needs our prayers. **Gary Goodman** will have back surgery on Tuesday. **Lavon Rogers** has been having inner ear problems. **Eunice Mize** will have a cornea transplant on December 11. **Jay Slayden**, Carol Duncan's brother, will go back to MD Anderson in a week for testing. **Steve Hentz**, the minister for the Hwy. 5N congregation in Mountain View, had a light stroke last Sunday. He is now home. Hannah Cupp's friend **Victoria Covington** will have brain surgery on Tuesday.

Others We Need to Remember in Prayer: Bonita Bangs, Carol Duncan, Nancy Duncan, Joann Foushee (Chris Ball's mother), Ed Hager, Mollee Harris, Diana Hudson, Melvin Hudson, Jean Hurte (brain tumors), Robbie Kemp, Pat McGough, and Pat Smith

Sympathy Extended: Joyce Blevins, Sherry Rounds' sister, passed away on Friday. Arrangements are not yet known. Please keep Sherry and her family in your prayers.

Invitation Response: Bonita Bangs responded to the invitation last Sunday asking for the prayers of the church. We are thankful for the Bangs' and the example they both set.

Elders and Deacons Meeting: There will be an elders and deacons meeting next Sunday at 3:30 p.m. If you need to discuss anything with them, please let them know.

Children's Home Shopping List: Hamburger Helper

Southside School Holiday Gifts: If you would like to help with the Southside School program for children in need this holiday season, lists of needed items are on the table in the back. Please have any items here by Sunday, December 8, or you can drop them off at the Southside fire station by December 9. You can also give money. If you do, please make checks payable to Southside School, and in the memo line write "holiday gifts."