



## Service Times

**Sunday Schedule**  
 Sunday School 10:00  
 Morning Worship 10:45  
 Evening Worship 6:00

**Wednesday Schedule**  
 Adult Bible Study 7:00  
 Youth Worship 7:00  
 Kidz with Heart 7:00  
 Life Bridge 7:00

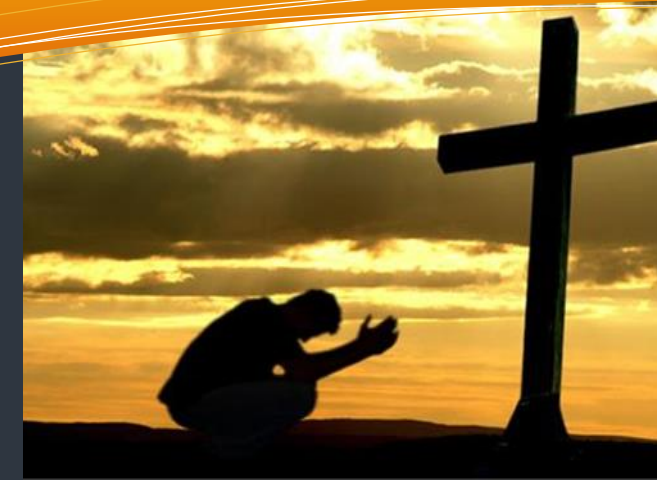
### Upcoming Events

- **Ladies' Cookie Exchange**  
Thursday, November 14<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 pm
- **Heather Mote's Baby Shower**  
Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup> – 3:30 pm
- **Thanksgiving Service**  
Tuesday, November 26<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 pm
- **Hanging of the Greens**  
Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup>
- **Ladies' Christmas Tea**  
Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup>
- **Adult Christmas Program**  
Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>
- **Children's Christmas Program**  
Sunday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>



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### Our Vision

To be a Life-giving church.

I John 5:12  
 He who has the Son has life.

### Our Mission:

Helping People Around Us...

- Experience God's Presence
- Feel God's Love
- Hear God's Word
- Become Jesus' Disciples

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### A Proper Thanksgiving Perspective

This month we will celebrate Thanksgiving. One day in which we like the early Pilgrims set aside time in our busy schedules to give thanks to God. Now, there is nothing wrong with that but the Word of God tells us that this should be a continual, daily, attitude.

*Ephesians 5:19-20* tells Christians to "Speak to one another with psalms, hymns and spiritual songs. Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord, ALWAYS giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ."

And *1 Thessalonians 5:16-18* says, "Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."

Paul's main subject here is PRAISE, THANKSGIVING. Notice the other important words in these passages; ALWAYS, CONTINUALLY, and IN ALL CIRCUMSTANCES. It sounds as if Paul is talking about a church service here, especially in *Ephesians* "Speak to one another with psalms, hymns and spiritual songs. Sing and make music in your heart..." But he isn't. He is talking about a continual attitude for Christians - an attitude of the heart. How we are to be to each other. But how, you may wonder, can we have this attitude continually, especially "in all circumstances?" I believe the answer lies in our perspective of thanksgiving. We need the proper perspective.

One young lady wrote home from college,

*"Dear Mom: Sorry I haven't written sooner. My arm really has been broken. I broke it, and my left leg, when I jumped from the second floor of my dormitory...when we had the fire. We were lucky. A young service station attendant saw the blaze and called the Fire Department. They were there in minutes. I was in the hospital for a few days. Paul, the service station attendant, came to see me every day. And because it was taking so long to get our dormitory liveable again, I moved in with him. He has been so nice. I must admit that I am pregnant. Paul and I plan to get married just as soon as he can get a divorce. I hope things are fine at home. I'm doing fine, and will write more when I get the chance.*

Love, Your daughter, Susie

*P.S. None of the above is true. But I did get a "C" in Sociology and flunked Chemistry. I just wanted you to receive this news in its "Proper Perspective"*

To be thankful in all circumstances, we need a proper perspective of our circumstances and of our God. Only then we will be able to give thanks to the Lord always.





*Ladies' Total Body Workout*

Fellowship Hall

5:30 pm  
Monday & Wednesday

See Denise for information.

**Heather Mote's Baby Shower**  
**Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup>**  
**3:30 pm**



**Fellowship Hall**

**Operation Christmas Child**  
• Bring boxes to the church by Sunday, November 15<sup>th</sup>



**Ladies' Christmas Tea**  
**Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup>**  
**3:00 pm**

**Fellowship Hall**  
**Bring an Ornament to exchange**



**Ladies' Cookie Exchange**  
**Thursday, November 14<sup>th</sup>**  
**7:00 pm**

**Fellowship Hall**  
**Bring your favorite cookies and the recipe to share.**

**Birthdays & Anniversaries**



- Pat Lineberger - November 1**
- Travis & Leslie Glover - November 1**
- Adam Blanton - November 4**
- Bobby Parker - November 9**
- Ava Blanton - November 9**
- Lydia Huffman - November 10**
- Ike Huffman - November 25**

If we have missed your birthday or anniversary, please let Jeri know so we can update our records.



**The Beat: Information about LIFE Student Ministries**

- Sunday Night Youth Worship - November 10<sup>th</sup> in the Youth Room 6:00 pm. Bring a friend.
- Movie Night at the Church
  - Saturday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>
  - 4:00 - 9:00 pm
  - Pizza, Popcorn, Drinks, Games, Prizes.
  - \$5.00
  - Bring a friend
- Sunday Night Youth Worship - November 24<sup>th</sup> in the Youth Room - 6:00 pm. Bring a friend.
- Turkey Raffle Tickets
  - Tickets are \$2.00 each
  - Raffle includes Turkey, Green Beans, Stove Top Dressing, Sweet Potato Casserole, Cranberry Sauce
  - Winner will be drawn on Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup>
  - See the Jennifer, Duane or one of the youth for a ticket.

**Coat Closet**

**We are helping another church collect good used coats. If you have any you would like to donate, please bring them to the church.**



**EYE ON IT**  
Upcoming Events for LIFE Student Ministries

- November 10 & 24**  
Sunday Night Youth Worship
- November 23**  
Movie Night at the Church  
4:00 pm - 9:00 pm
- November 24**  
Turkey Raffle Drawing

**KIDZ with Heart**

- Come be a part of Kidz with Heart on Wednesday. Each week the kids will be discovering great things about God in a tree house.



**Mid-Week Lunch Outreach Ministry**

Meets Wednesday at 11:30 am.

See Allen or Sandra if you would like to help with this ministry.