



THE VISION

November 2018

“Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them and...teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you...”

Amen. Matthew 28:19-20

The Benefits of Giving Thanks

It can be easy to think of “giving thanks” as just something “nice” to do, but it is much more than that ---

God’s Word shows us how giving thanks is an important part of our relationship with God. He inhabits the praises of His people: “But thou art holy, O thou that inhabitest the praises of Israel,” (Ps.22:3). So, the quickest way to open the door of communication is to start thanking God.

“Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands. Serve the LORD with gladness: come before his presence with singing. Know ye that the LORD he is God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name. For the LORD is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations,” (Ps. 100).

THE BIBLE SAYS TO GIVE THANKS:

“Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God which surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus,” (Phil. 4:6-7)

“Therefore, by Him let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to His name,” (Heb. 13:15).

“In everything, give thanks, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you,” (I Thess. 5:18).

“Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving; Let us shout joyfully to Him with psalms,” (Ps. 95:2).

REASONS TO BE THANKFUL:

Giving thanks reminds us of all the great blessings God has done and is doing in our lives! When we start giving thanks, we cannot help but be encouraged! How do we start the process? “Praise ye the Lord. O give thanks unto the Lord; for He is good: for His mercy endureth,” (Ps. 106:1).

“But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. (I Cor.15:57).

BENEFIT OF GIVING THANKS:

When something is going wrong or we are upset --- noticed how talking about how bad the situation is only making it worse? Well, it works the other way too.

Instead of saying, “It will never get better,” or “There is no way out of this,” just remind ourselves of God’s promises to us in His Word. We need to thank Him for His faithfulness!

God is there when we praise Him and where there is light the darkness cannot stay! When we open our mouths to praise and thank Him, the oppressive thoughts of the enemy are stopped!

We were in God’s heart before there was an earth to stand on. He loves us, has a plan for us, and will never leave us or forsake us! Let us thank Him!

Pastor Bud Goude

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Deacon's Devotional

Jesus' First Recorded Miracle – Water Turned To Wine; John 2: 1-11

As the scripture reads, Jesus and his disciples were invited to a wedding celebration in Cana, as was Jesus' mother. As we well know, during the celebration they ran out of wine which could have ended as a huge embarrassment for the Master of the Ceremony and/or the Bridegroom. Jesus' mother took it upon herself to seek help from Jesus and ward off a disaster. Two things occurred out of that request. The first was Jesus rebuking his mother. The scripture states: "Woman, what does your concern have to do with Me? My hour has not yet come." In essence, Jesus was saying – I am not on this earth to do your bidding, but the work of my Father. However, Mary was not rejected by the rebuke. She immediately turned and directed the servants: "Whatever He says to you, do it." Mary prepared for a response to her request, having no idea what that response would be. Do we prepare for a response from God after making a petition? The second was Jesus performed a miracle. John calls each of Jesus' miracles a "sign". These signs revealed various aspects of the person or work of Christ. In this case it exhibited his *glory*. Jesus didn't just make wine, but he made wine far superior to the best already served. He also did it in front of his disciples and the household servants to encourage faith in his followers. How do we see God's *glory* in our day to day lives – the sunrise each morning, the power of the ocean waves, the majesty of the mountains, or in the birth of a child?

Keith Martin



Jesus Wept

**He surveyed all that he had made,
And longed to hold them who had stayed.
All who had been flawed in time,
Lost to lust, to greed, to crime.**

**He saw the ones hard at play,
With hearts of stone and feet of clay.
He heard their promises unkept,
Then bowed his head and Jesus wept.**

...Jonnie Adams

LADIES!

You are invited to share in a special event. Gloucester Point Baptist Church WMU will participate in the PBA's Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer on Monday, November 5th, from 9:30am-11:30am, at West Hampton Baptist Church.

We will meet at the church, to carpool, at 8:45am

This broken world needs prayer desperately. We appeal to you to join us and be a channel of blessing.



Operation Christmas Child

The children will be packing boxes November 14th. Those wishing to contribute to the children's boxes can leave items in the WMU box.

The last Sunday to bring boxes in is November 18th. Please do not pack candy, gum, or toothpaste as they are not allowed.

Deacon of the Week

11/4—David Crummett
11/11—Pauline Littell
11/18—Jimmy Diggs
11/25—Amy Boykin

Nursery Workers

11/4—L. Walton/G. Breeden
11/11—A. Milligan/Youth
11/18—Devan/Elyza Willard
11/26—S. Jenkins/Youth

November Ushers

Barbara Mangrum
Chris Hutson
Keith Belvin
Leslie Belvin

November Tellers

Helen Spence
Bill Breeden

**CHURCH
WORKERS**

Sun. Sch. Nursery
Sharon/Howard Warren

Older Children's Church

11/4—P. Belvin/T. Svoboda
11/11—Jennifer/Lauren Hall
11/18—Madison/Seth Gandee
11/25—Charlene/John West

Younger Children's Church

11/4—Tracy Williams
11/11—Sonya Anthony/Nancy Dyson
11/18—Denise Gandee/Mallory Wagner
11/25—Laraine Sentz/Rachel Wells



Sunday Schedule

Sunday School (All Ages)- 9:40am
 Worship Service- 11:00am
 C.A.R.E. Ministry—2:00pm

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Wednesday Schedule

5:30pm: Teens Living For Christ
 6:00: Children's Choir
 6:30pm: Children's Bible Study
 6:30pm: Prayer Meeting & Bible Study
 7:30pm: Choir Practice

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 Seniors' Morning Out 9:30am AA 8:00pm	3 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS
4 Lord's Supper 11:00am Deacon's Meeting 3:00pm	5 American Heritage Girls 6:30pm	6 Girl Scouts-6:30pm Building & Grounds 7:00pm	7	8	9 Seniors' Morning Out 9:30am AA 8:00pm	10
11 S.S. Breakfast 9:15am Youth Council 12:00pm Cake/Pie/Kids Dessert Contest 3pm Veteran's Day Recognition-AHG 11am	12 Shoebox Collection Starts	13 Girl Scouts 6:30pm	14	15 Acree Circle 10:00am	16 Seniors' Morning Out 9:30am AA 8:00pm Vision Articles Due	17 Thanksgiving Distribution Day 11am
18 Thanksgiving/Clam Chowder & New Member Dinner 12:00pm NO C.A.R.E	19 American Heritage Girls 6:30pm	20 Armstrong Circle Meal-5:30 Meeting-6pm Girl Scouts 6:30pm	21 NO ACTIVITIES	23 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED Warwick Forest Service (leave church 10am)	23 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED AA 8:00pm	24
25	26	27 Girl Scouts 6:30pm	28	29	30 Seniors' Morning Out 9:30am AA 8:00pm	

November Birthdays:

Rosemary Laubach	11/1
Angie Crummett	11/4
Madison Gandee	11/4
Barbara Fryer	11/7
Virginia Dawson	11/8
Robert Wray	11/8
Melissa Ashe	11/10
Elizabeth Bynum	11/12
Russell Hartman	11/13
Emma Cirillo	11/15
Margaret Sarratori	11/19
Harry Wang	11/20
Donna Phillips	11/21
Jimmy Diggs	11/27
Debra Martin	11/29



Anniversaries:

Bill & Judy Cahoon	11/3
Dale & Amy Jacobson	11/10
Barbara & Gary Mangrum	11/16
Charlie & Queenie Holt	11/21
Julia & Russell Dawson	11/29