

FOR THE RECORD

Week of November 19th, 2017

Bible Study.....	254
Sunday Worship.....	454
Sunday Evening.....	136
Wednesday.....	NA
Weekly Giving.....	\$14,482
Weekly Budget.....	\$17,306
Year-to-Date Giving.....	\$756,807
Year-to-Date Budget.....	\$813,382

NURSERY ATTENDANTS

November 26

Mattie Martin & Kristin Cawyer

December 3

Lenore Tripp & Lisa Reed

November Communion Prep

Larry & Judy Holman

GREETERS

November 26

Roy & Becky ReavesNorth
George & Wanda Reed.....West
Larry & Judy HolmanEast

December 3

Charles & Shirley MayWest
Joe RussellEast
Clay & Candy ReedNorth

COMMUNION

November 26

Table 1: Rick Butler, James Cole,
Michael Grant, David Davenport, Lynn
Donnell

Table 2: Rocky Clancy, Kenny Freeman,
Danny Davis, Josh Harrell, Pat Crosby

RAISING * ARROWS

Twice 1st-5

Children's Ministry Grades K-5. Meets
Sunday at 9AM, and Wed. at 6:30PM
Teachers beginning **November 22** are...

Noah's Arcade

Dale & Christina Brooks

Museum

Brent & April Ruple

Creator's Canvas

Sheri Crosby

Holy Word Studios

Tiffany Clem

Kids for Christ

Kids for Christ is for ages 2 – 2nd grade,
in room #2, and is announced for
dismissal **during the sermon.**

November

Word / Scripture of the Month

Patience / 1 Thessalonians 5:14
"...be patient with everyone..."

November 26

There will be a Thanksgiving Activity/
Movie Today in KFC.

Puppets: Danny & Kristen Davis

December 3

2 Year Olds: Donna Frick

3-4 Year Olds: Amy Jones

K-2nd Grade: Kaitlin McCormick

Puppets: Christmas Program Rehearsal

November Helpers

Chiane Nesbitt, Courtney Nesbitt, Jada
Parker, Emma Jernigan

THE GHOSTS OF THANKSGIVING

November 21th, 2017

Tim Tripp

Thanksgiving time is always special for my family and I. When I lived at home Thanksgiving often meant a trip to my family's farm in Vinton County, Ohio and stayed at grandma and grandpa's house. There was always a smorgasbord of activities available there. We could go hunting, fishing, shooting, watch football as well as partake in numerous other activities. Most of all we enjoyed just being together in a context where Christ was and is King.

The farm is still a great place and when I get back there (infrequently now) it is a great place for reminiscing. My Dad, Mom, brothers and I spent a great deal of time there in my youth and that place is just alive with memories. Great characters, many who are now gone, still roam the hills there in my mind. By far the most colorful character to have walked there in my lifetime was my paternal grandfather. Arthur Tripp was his name. While my father remembers his grandfather roaming and working that farm too, in my mind that farm is full of my Grandpa Tripp. Every hill and tree bears his name. I remember seeing him riding that old tractor around the fields like a king on his throne. He was really in his element when he was on a tractor. He gave me the chore one time of putting water in the tractor's radiator that was no doubt leaky. I remember feeling grown up because Grandpa entrusted his "baby" to me. Unfortunately, the port for the radiator and the port for the oil looked a lot alike and were not marked. Grandpa saw me replacing the cap on the wrong port and said, "You didn't put water in *there* did you?" I didn't have to speak. He reacted to the look on my face and quickly unscrewed the oil filter from the tractor. We both watched the gallon of water pour that I had just dumped into the engine oil stream out of the filter and its surrounding tubing. I waited for the scolding that never came. He told me where to go to find the pan and replacement oil for the oil change we were going to have to do to keep any remaining water from damaging the engine. Once the change was done, it was never mentioned again. However, in the course of the day grandpa did go over with me where the engine's essential fluids go.

I miss him greatly. He has been gone for many years now but when I am there, it still feels like he may still walk around the corner of the barn or drive the tractor down the path from the barn to the house at any time. He is still there in spirit. His legacy of hard work and honest living is evident in every contour of land there. Every time I visit there I come back having reconnected with my roots, which alone is revitalizing. I can testify that I have watched the ghosts of Thanksgiving dance before me in the hills of Vinton county. These are not scary ghosts and not visible to the human eye but their presence is real. They make me so thankful for the love of family and they make the hope for heaven seem oh so sweet. I hope your Thanksgiving was filled with wonderful memories too.

STARTING POINT

Welcome to West Side! Are you interested in learning more about us? Be sure to visit the Starting Point room in the back of the auditorium after each Sunday service.

BASKET SHOWER

There will be a basket baby shower for baby girl Oaklee Jean Sanford, daughter of Korbin and Erin Reid Sanford. Oaklee was born October 27. Many of you will remember Erin as the granddaughter of Ron and Mary Reid. Please, no newborn gifts.

CHRISTMAS BASKETS

Joe Russell and Frank Foster are collecting donations for the next two weeks for the Christmas Baskets they prepare and hand out. If you would like to donate, please see them!

WEDDING SHOWER

There will be a wedding shower for Zac George and Christina Betterton on Sunday, December 17th, from 1:00 - 3:00 in the Rock. They are registered at Millyn's, Wal-Mart, and Target. Please come join us as we celebrate their upcoming marriage.

UPCOMING HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Sunday morning bible classes will be cancelled on Sunday, **December 24**, for Christmas Eve, and Sunday, **December 31**, for New Years Eve. **Our morning worship services will meet at 10:00!**

A Look Ahead...

November 26: Friendship Cafe: TBD // Bible Bowl in the Family Center at 3:00.

November 27: MNFTM // CR - Ladies Step Study at 8:00 pm.

November 29: CCSC Cookies - Sheri Crosby, Jamie Bates, Nittie Goodwin, Kristin Cawyer.

December 1: Celebrate Recovery

December 3: Friendship Cafe: Britney Austin - 3 doz. Donuts; Judy Holman - 3 doz. Muffins; Vicki Betterton - 3 doz. Donuts // Bible Bowl in the Family Center at 3:00.

December 4: MNFTM // CR - Ladies Step Study at 8:00 pm.

December 5: Prime Timers will meet in the FC Kitchen at 5:30.

December 6: CCSC Cookies - Joy Brandon, Deanna Cole, Tondra Taylor, Rena Baker

December 8: Celebrate Recovery

December 10: Friendship Cafe: April Ruple - 3 doz. Donuts; Donna Frick - 3 doz. Donuts; Jennifer Zangara - 3 doz. Muffins // Bible Bowl in the Family Center at 3:00.

December 11: MNFTM // CR - Ladies Step Study at 8:00 pm.

December 15: Celebrate Recovery

December 17: Friendship Cafe: TBD // Wedding Shower for Zac George and Christina Betterton in the Rock from 1:00 - 3:00. // Bible Bowl in the Family Center at 3:00.

December 18: MNFTM // CR - Ladies Step Study at 8:00 pm.

December 22: Celebrate Recovery

December 24: NO Sunday morning classes. We will meet at 10:00 AM for morning services.

NEW TEACHING QUARTER

The new winter quarter classes being on November 29, 2017.

PRAYER LIST

Nursing Homes

Madge Alverson (Atkins #311), Mirl Helms (Stella Manor #221), Imogene Taylor (Brookdale #211), Wayne Nordin (Brookdale #219), Glennette Price (Stella Manor #305), Elizabeth Wyatt (Legacy Heights #43).

Cancer Patients

Gladys Norwood, Helen Stephens, Mary Grice, Mary King, Carla Ford, Doug Hart, Jerry Thompson, Julie Session, Ruby Kite, Sherilyn Russell, Kelly Owens, Don Martin, Lavada Gordon, Ray Fullerton, Delba Parrish, Kirk Benson, Debbie Gann, Hobart Summers, Debra Leaming, Lorri Petty, Joyce Gage, Ruth Kelley, Steven Watson, Linda Elkins, Suzanne Gatewood, Kim Kersh, Richie Schilling, Ella Allison, Rex Roberts, Eura Mae Loyd, Maddie Allen, Stephanie Carper, Don Bailey, Jerry Bailey, Connie Shay, Mark Helms, Truman Hill, Shirley Pickle

Military

Dale Nelson, Justin Dollins, Steven Renfrow, James Cole, Jr., Micah Hunter, Steven Cawyer, Charles Pitney, Joseph Roberds

Additional

Aris Ortiz, Jr., Patsy Parnell, Nora Smith, Jeremiah Martinez, Matt Francis, Loren Hurst, Ridge Austin, Tiffany Lutrell, Nathan Hodges, Frost Family, Amanda Hensley, Ellen Collins, Carina Ortiz

Missions

James & Abigail Rucker-Haiti, WBS Students

Happy
THANKSGIVING

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

To submit an announcement for the bulletin, please contact the office using the email:
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