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## Worship Online

Anytime at  
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**Worship In-Person**  
**Sundays**  
**10:15 am**

## COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS

We blinked and its November! November is quite possibly my favorite month because it's finally cool and it has my favorite holiday: Thanksgiving. I adore Thanksgiving. I LOVE to cook, to chop, to make everything from scratch. I also love Thanksgiving because it's the one holiday where its focused on gathering around a table and being thankful.

This November, more than other years, it feels, to me at least, that we REALLY need the holidays. We need to be able to gather with those we love (even if it's digitally for families that can't travel). We need to enjoy some of our favorite traditions. For our family it means a trip to North Carolina, leaf spotting, hiking, football, and setting up the Christmas tree.

And what we need more than the traditions or the food is the call for each of us to be thankful. To stop and reflect over this very difficult year and find all the things we are grateful for. 2020 has taught us to be thankful for things we probably never considered before: hugs, smiles, handshakes, meeting face to face, and so on. So, what have you found in 2020 to be grateful for that you never considered before?

The sermons in November will be focused on helping us find blessings and being grateful for them. We have the blessing of community, of those who shared Jesus with us, of having resources to share with others, of the joy we find in serving and helping, and of our partnerships with other ministries like Campus to City Wesley.

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## GOOD NEWS!

ALTHOUGH SOME OF OUR ANNUAL EVENTS HAVE BEEN POSTPONED FOR 2020, our Live Drive-thru Nativity will be on display, Sun., Dec. 20, 6—7:30 p.m. Animals have been reserved and we are in the planning phase for volunteers. YOU are needed to help make this a successful outreach to our community. If you are interested in playing a character role, or have family who are, please step forward. Can't do that?...no problem. There are costumes to be assembled, luminaries to be made and a crèche to be set up and taken-down.

This is a one night opportunity to be in service to our church. Please think about how you or your family can assist in the making of this awesome community outreach. Contact Sonni McEvoy at (904) 246-4244.

## PASTOR BRIDGET'S BIBLE STUDY NEWS

This study will continue to look at the book—"Help! My Church is Leaving Me" (Available on Amazon) through November.

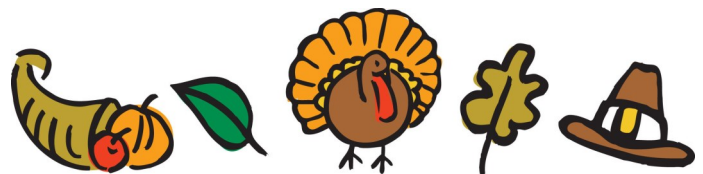
In December, they will be going through N.T. Wright's Advent Reader, "Advent for Everyone." Copies are available online and in the church office.

Thursdays, 10 am via Zoom or 6:30 pm in Sanctuary/Parlor  
Don't miss it. (904) 249-5370 or sign up at [www.christumcnb.org](http://www.christumcnb.org) event

## COUNT BLESSINGS, CONT.

Most of all we should to stop and remember to count our blessings. The hymn with this name reminds us to, "Count your blessings, name them one by one, Count your blessings, see what God has done! Count your blessings, name them one by one, Count your many blessings, see what God has done." We are so very blessed, even when things are difficult. Let's take time this month to thank God for those many blessings; to see what God has done.

Amazed by Grace, Pastor Bridget



SO MANY BLESSINGS

## SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS: update

There will be an **In-Person** Adult Sunday School class beginning Sunday, October 25, Wilson Hall at 9 am.

Cindy Kastner will lead the class using the Adult Bible Studies material. Participants must use the North entrance (Winn Dixie end of building). Temperatures will be taken. We will social distance and wear masks.

The phone-in class taught by Nancy Russell will continue to meet at 9 am as well. Call 717-275-8940 to join. The Access Code is 655-4436.

## SCOUTING UPDATE!

Let's pray for all of our scouts! As we start the reopening process of the church and getting the outside groups back into the building. Please note, the scouting programs have taken a hard hit this year, not just ours, but units all over the country, girls and boys.

Our BSA Troop, 282, has been working hard to get things done off property to continue the great achievements they normally would make every year. For those that haven't heard yet, we lost our long time, fabulous, amazing Scout Master Don Petty to a very fast acting cancer last spring. The boys took it hard, but as Don would have them do, they continued even harder than ever!! We ranked 3 Eagle Scouts since his passing. I could not be prouder of these young men and the new Scout Master John Ellzey.

The realities of COVID has meant many scout families have withdrawn from the program. The scouts need to be lifted in prayer for guidance and leadership.

They are also selling pies from Cinotti's again this year for a fundraiser. The choices are apple, pecan and pumpkin pies. Prepay with your to order. The final order is November 12<sup>th</sup> with delivery on November 23<sup>rd</sup>. Cost is \$15.00 each. You may contact Richard Adams at 904-666-3962 for information. Order forms are available on the church website, by the weekly worship booklet, [www.christumcnb.org](http://www.christumcnb.org)

Thank you for your support, Hanna Thomas, Charter Organization Representative

## SECURITY CORNER

### IT'S FAR TOO EASY TO FORGET

A few Sundays ago my wife and I were in Church worshipping. Shirley said to me "Don't you need to check the doors to see if they are all locked?" I sat there for a moment and then agreed.

On my check of the doors I found the double doors to the sanctuary's north side to be unlocked. WOW. I am the chairperson of the Security Task Team and I was not engaged in the safety of those of us in the Sanctuary.

Here is the point. It is easy to forget. THIS time there were no dire consequences but we never know. Take note of your exits and keep alert EVERY-TIME.

Thankfully, I have a spouse who DIDN'T forget.

**Stay Alert - Stay ALive**



## **Guidelines for Use of Wilson Hall under COVID 19 Conditions**

We are pleased to be able to open Wilson Hall for group use with the following procedures and restrictions. We want you here, and we also want you to be safe. Call the office to reserve the time you want.

### **General:**

Maximum attendance: 50 people including leaders and speakers

Masks must be worn and social distancing observed the whole time including while entering and leaving. The one exception is when eating or drinking while seated at a table.

Food and drink are allowed. Please be smart about it

The kitchen may be used as long as it is cleaned after use

Singing is not allowed

Only one person in the bathroom at a time

The person requesting the room is responsible for seeing that these guidelines and procedures are followed. This is true for outside groups and church activities.

### **Entering procedures:**

Use north parking lot entrance ONLY

Wipe down tables and chairs before the use of the room (supplies on gray table). The cleaning solution contains bleach.

Set air conditioning fan to "ON" position

Record contact information as people enter.

Deny entrance to anyone with a temperature over 99°

### **Leaving procedures:**

Turn air conditioning fan to "AUTO"

Wipe down tables and chairs after the use of the room (supplies on gray table). The cleaning solution contains bleach.

Place the sign in sheet in the folder on the gray table and leave thermometer and cleaning supplies there as well.

Be sure doors are locked and lights are off

Failure to abide by these guidelines may result in your group losing the ability to use our property for future meetings.



## GIVING THANKS IN 2020



Like everything else during quarantine, this holiday season may be filled with tough choices and changes for families.

The good news is that the holidays are also a time when gratitude is front and center. Gratitude has been shown to help teens (and adults) navigate tough times, from experiencing more positive emotions to sleeping better. Thanksgiving is the perfect holiday to start practicing.

### 1. **Start a gratitude**

**journal.** From now until Thanksgiving, write a sentence or draw a picture of something you're grateful for each day. The more details, the more you'll see the positive things in your life.

# Youth News

INFORMATION YOU CAN USE

### 2. **Make a gratitude**

**chain.** Here's a way to get your whole family involved. Set up a station with markers, construction paper, tape or glue in a high-traffic spot in your home. Ask family members to pause every time they walk by to jot down something they're grateful for, then fasten it as a link on the chain. On Thanksgiving, plan "gratitude breaks" to read links aloud.

### 3. **Write or draw**

**Thanksgiving cards.** If you're sad about not getting to see family or friends this holiday season, channel it into writing or art. You might find it to be healing. Then you can give your creation to them for a sweet surprise.

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# Parent Portal

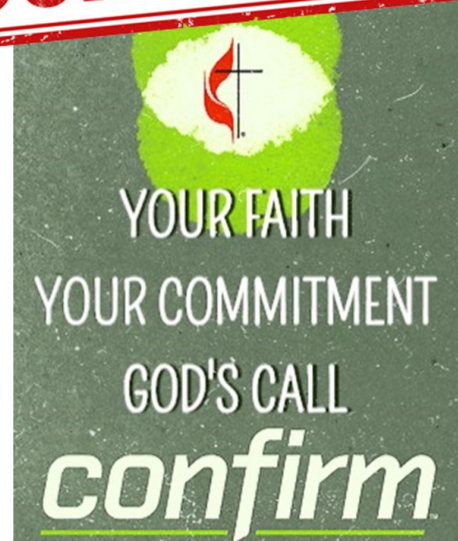
YOUR DOORWAY TO INFORMATION

In the message to the youth, I encouraged your teens to practice gratitude daily. While that might be easier said than done, we can show them the way. Let's lead by example and show them support. It's a good example for the kids, but possibly even more so, it's **GOOD FOR YOU!** It's good for your mental and physical health, and it can help you relax. And who doesn't need that right now? Here are a couple things to try:

**1. Jot down your Joys**—You can do this in the notes app on your phone, or participate in any one of the social media campaigns to share the good things in your life.

**2. Count your Blessings instead of Sheep**—Rather than letting your brain run and run at night, try listing your blessings of the day. It's much better for your mental health and will give you a more restful sleep.

**COMING SOON**



**11.12.2020 @ 4:30 PM**

## OUR YOUTH NEED YOU!

At the time of this writing, we have one person committed to mentoring a teen during their confirmation studies. We need a few more. Will you consider volunteering?

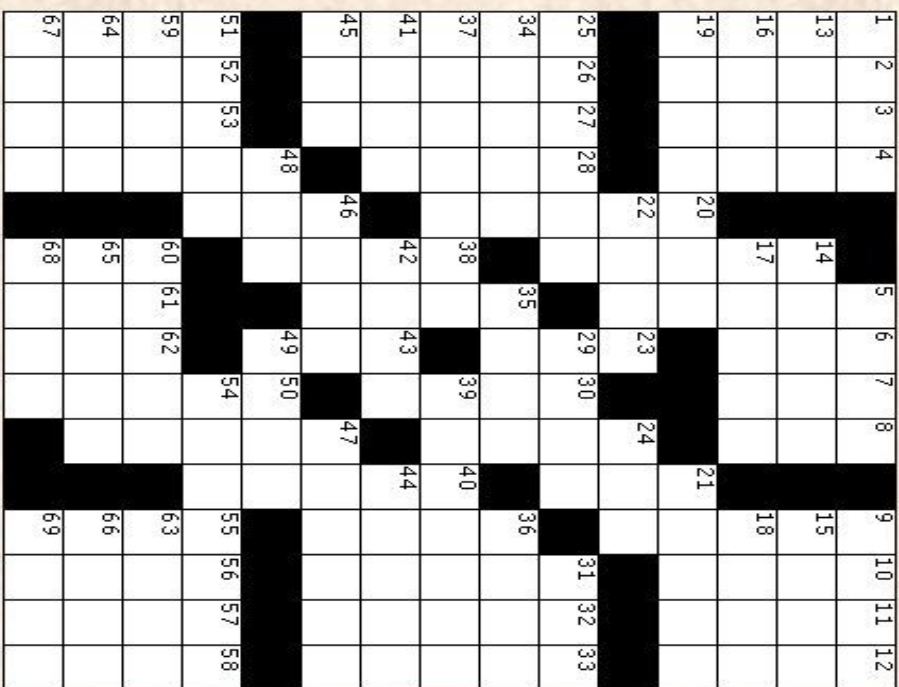
**EVERY  
TEEN  
NEEDS A  
MENTOR**



FOLLOW US



Solve



## ACROSS

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5 Syllables used in songs (2 wds.)  
9 Lawmen  
13 Lounge  
14 Stomach sore  
15 Unseal  
16 Relieve  
17 Fasten  
18 A Roman emperor  
19 Fan  
21 Father of 25A, son of 51A  
22 Uncomplicated  
24 TV lawyer  
25 Son of 21A  
29 Aid a crime  
31 Touch  
37 Perceiving  
39 With 60D, Happy \_\_\_!  
41 Goad  
42 First letter of the Arabic alphabet  
44 National capital  
45 Compass point  
46 Gush out  
47 Gargantuan  
48 Vapor  
49 Double-reed instrument  
51 Father of 21A, son of 54A  
54 Father of 51A  
59 Smear  
60 Wild dog  
63 Equal  
64 European monetary unit  
65 Constellation  
66 Store  
67 Actor Alda  
68 Scream  
69 Loch \_\_\_ monster  
28 Otherwise  
30 Punch  
31 Trainee  
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33 Ill-natured  
35 Stare at  
36 Thick carpet  
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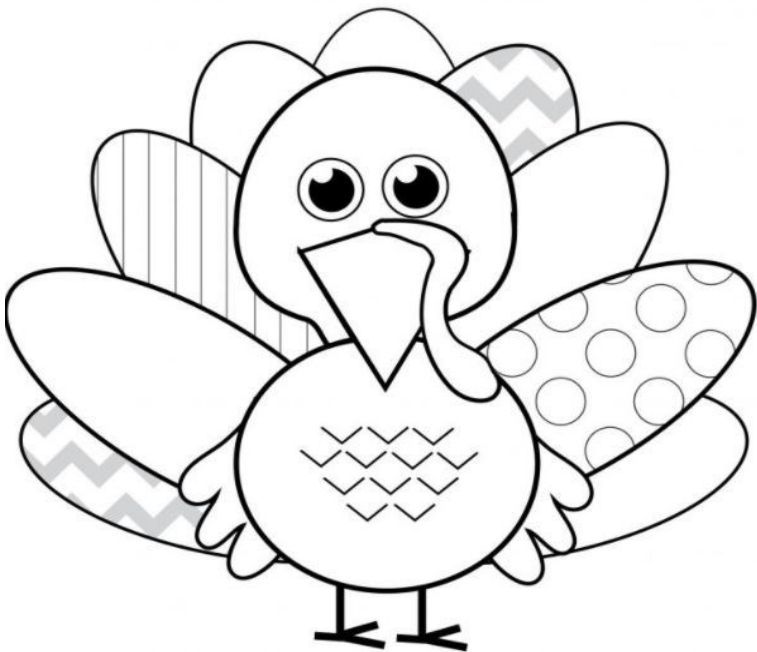
## BIRTHDAYS FOR NOVEMBER



### Happy Birthday!

7 Cindy Kalar	19 Erik Stoneberger
7 Helen Rose	22 Tracy Thompson
12 Gigi Rice	23 Becky Chambers
13 Peggy Adolphson	23 Richard Buswell
16 Dick Footh	28 Mike McEvoy
17 Eva Berry	29 Brandon Goodner
18 Jackie Pennington	29 Deborah Pound
18 David Wood	

### CHILDREN'S CORNER



Gobble Gobble



We thank you, Lord,  
that you  
will stay  
beside  
us  
each and  
every day. Amen.



**"Give thanks to the Lord."**

**Psalm 136:11**

## FALL MISSION OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

### Christmas Masks available for sale in November.

A \$5 donation will benefit the Florida United Methodist Children's Home.

Buy your masks any Sunday morning before or after worship or outside the church office, Wednesday or Thursday mornings, 10—noon during the month of November.



CHRISTMAS  
STOCKINGS FOR  
SALVATION ARMY  
will be coming  
soon!

### SUGGESTED CONTENTS FOR THANKSGIVING BASKET

(nonperishables)

- \* package of rice or mashed potatoes
- \* bag of stuffing
- \* 2 packages of macaroni and cheese
- \* can of cranberry sauce
- \* 2 cans of green beans
- \* jar of turkey gravy
- \* 2 cans of another vegetable
- \* packaged cookies, cake or dessert



#### Optional:

- \* \$10-\$15 grocery store gift card to purchase a turkey, ham, or other main course

It is through your kindness that BEAM is able to offer a bountiful Thanksgiving dinner to families in need at the beaches. The following is a *recommended list of items* for a family Thanksgiving basket. Please feel free to add whatever you wish to make this special and memorable. Your "basket" can be this paper bag, reusable grocery bag or a basket. You may also use a laundry basket. ***Due back to the church Sunday 11/15/20.***

***Thank you for participating in BEAM'S 2020 Thanksgiving basket giveaway.***

# CHILDREN'S MINISTRY UPDATE

I miss all the families!!!

I can say one of the things I am missing most in my life is teaching the kiddos and being around all the families at CUMCNB. It has been very scary for all of us on many levels with all the cautions for the virus that we have had to endure. I will not be attending church in person until further notice. I fall into one of the categories that the CDC has deemed to be extra careful around others. I have been taking care of my granddaughter since March, this is my new job as my pet care business stopped at that time.

I will be reaching out to each family individually to see if you are interested in doing a zoom class on Sunday mornings with me. Two different age-appropriate classes just like it was before: little kids and older kids. Time limit will be set for each age group. What do you think?? I would like to figure out a way for us to connect again since it's been such a long time, and we don't really have an end in sight at this time.

I pray for each of you and hope you are all well and still somewhat sane!

Much love and blessings,

Hanna Thomas, Family Ministry Coordinator

## PUZZLE SOLUTION



## MAYPORT COASTAL SCIENCES MIDDLE SCHOOL

I am still the Student Advisory Council (SAC) chair for the school. No volunteers are allowed in the school buildings at this time.

The Mayday Closet needs girls jeans, t-shirts and panties.

The staff and kids need your prayers. They are holding their own right now!

Hanna Thomas



# November 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Fall Back DST ends 9 am Sunday School In-person and via Conference Call 1-717-275-8940 10:15 am Worship in Person and Online	2 10 am Disciple II 6:30 pm Disciple II	3 Voting in Wilson Hall 3 pm Feed the Hungry Prep	4 1 pm Worship Design 5 pm Youth Grp ZOOM 6:30 pm Chimes Pract.	5 10 am Pastor's Study Via ZOOM 10 am Christ Quilters 5 pm Knight Chess 6:30 pm Pastor's Study—in person	6	7
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