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## Serving Schedule for November 8, 2020

**Worship Leader**

Kay Gilbreth

**Communion Prayer**

Todd Richardson

**Offertory Prayer**

Jack Maxwell

**Van Driver**

Mark Richardson/Jack Maxwell

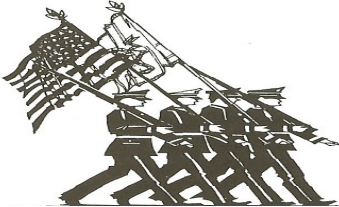
**Communion Preparation**

Ed Lewis

## Looks Who's Having a Birthday in November

Linda Childress	2
Stanley Pinkston	15
Delores West	20

*Please remember our Veterans  
on November 11th and always.*



## Serving Schedule for November 29, 2020

**Worship Leader**

LaVerne Matthews

**Communion Prayer**

Anne Robertys

**Offertory Prayer**

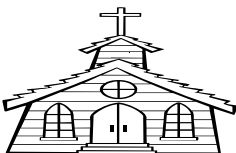
Ed Lewis

**Van Driver**

Mark Richardson/Jack Maxwell

**Communion Preparation**

Carlos & Glenda Hicks



CONGREGATIONAL  
MEETING

Will be held on Sunday,  
December 13th following  
worship

## Serving Schedule for November 15, 2020

**Worship Leader**

Gleta Gorman

**Communion Prayer**

Doris Chlastak

**Offertory Prayer**

Jack Childress

**Van Driver**

Mark Richardson/Jack Maxwell

**Communion Preparation**

Jack Maxwell



**Sunday, November 15th  
is pledge Sunday. Don't  
forget to return your  
pledge cards.**

## Serving Schedule for November 22, 2020

**Worship Leader**

Ed Lewis

**Communion Prayer**

Gail Doss

**Offertory Prayer**

Steve Fowler

**Van Driver**

Mark Richardson/Jack Maxwell

**Communion Preparation**

Jack Maxwell



## Christian Women's Fellowship



Thursday, November 19th

1:30 p.m., in

Church Parlor

Hostess: LuWanna Forister

Program: LaVerne Matthews

## NOVEMBER

### Upcoming Opportunities

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1:**  
Daylight Savings Time Ends  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Worship

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8:**  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Worship

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11:**  
Church Office closed in ob-  
servance of Veterans Day

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12:**  
7:00 p.m. Board Meeting

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15:**  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Worship

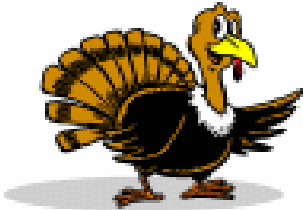
**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17:**  
5:30 p.m. Day Care Board Mtg.

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19:**  
1:30 p.m. CWF, Church Parlor

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22:**  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Worship

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26:**  
**Happy Thanksgiving**  
Church Office closed 26 & 27

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29:**  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Worship



Our Christian condolences go  
out to Sharon Parton and  
other family members of  
Roy Parton upon his death  
October 23, 2020.



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<b>ATTENDANCE REPORT</b> <b>October 4, 2020</b>	<b>ATTENDANCE REPORT</b> <b>October 11, 2020</b>
ATTENDANCE:	ATTENDANCE:
Worship ..... 30	Worship ..... 30
Children's Church ..... 0	Children's Church ..... 0
<b>TOTAL WORSHIP..... 30</b>	<b>TOTAL WORSHIP..... 30</b>
<b>SUNDAY SCHOOL</b>	<b>SUNDAY SCHOOL</b>
Elementary A/B ..... 0	Elementary A/B ..... 5
Homebuilders ..... 4	Homebuilders ..... 6
Men's Class ..... 3	Men's Class ..... 11
<b>Total..... 7</b>	<b>Total..... 11</b>
<b>ATTENDANCE REPORT</b> <b>October 18, 2020</b>	<b>ATTENDANCE REPORT</b> <b>October 25, 2020</b>
ATTENDANCE:	ATTENDANCE:
Worship .....29	Worship ..... 31
Children's Church .....0	Children's Church ..... 0
<b>TOTAL WORSHIP .....29</b>	<b>TOTAL WORSHIP..... 31</b>
<b>SUNDAY SCHOOL</b>	<b>SUNDAY SCHOOL</b>
Elementary A/B.....0	Elementary A/B ..... 4
Homebuilders .....5	Homebuilders ..... 6
Men's Class .....4	Men's Class ..... 4
<b>Total.....9</b>	<b>Total..... 14</b>



SIGNS ALONG THE WAY

To say the least these are anxious times. For the past 8 months we have been dealing with social isolation and the Covid-19 virus. We have limited our contact without friends and even our family members from time to time. For a time we would not even able to worship in God's house. If we are honest with our feelings, some days it seems like the virus might go on forever. We all are anxiously awaiting a possible vaccination for the virus. We have also been dealing with tension and tenacious times of the upcoming election on November 3rd. It seems that all parties are hostile to one another and our nation is divided along red and blue lines. We are no longer one nation under God. We are divided along political party ideologies. as disciples of Christ we have a saying that we agree to disagree on controversial issues and respect each other's views. But at time it seems that that is not happening. We must pray for one another and our nation daily praying that one day unity will be restored. Then at the end of November we usually celebrate Thanksgiving Day. One of the traditions of Thanksgiving Day, Macy's Thanksgiving Day parade has been canceled due to the pandemic. We do not know even what that day will look like with family and friends. Many have suggested that we all should just celebrate by ourselves as individual family units and avoid big gatherings of family. We hear a lot of talk about the new normal and we are not sure even what that is. Some people are still angry about wearing face coverings in public places. Arlo Guthrie had a song when I was growing up that said the times are changing. It seems most of us don't like the way they have changed. But I know one thing that whatever the outcome of the election is or how we celebrate Thanksgiving day the God that we serve is in heaven and is in charge of the creation. The Scriptures remind us that God will hold us in the palm of his hand and lift us up on eagles wings if we simply trust. During the month ahead may we all be well and be safe. And trust that God has got this. Glad to be your pastor. Pastor Frank

PS: Doris and I would like to think the congregation and the Men's Bible Class for their monetary donation during Pastor Appreciation Month. The card and the sentiments from the CWF were especially uplifting during these times that we are going through together. We feel blessed serving the congregation together in sharing the good news.

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Gene Roberts, Jr.,

Ramona Sutton

[Names will remain on our

Prayer Concern list until the

Church Office is notified to

remove them.]