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Serving Schedule for November 6, 2022

Worship Leader

Gail Doss

Communion Prayer

Steve Fowler

Offertory Prayer

Pat Fowler

Van Driver

Mark Richardson/Jack Maxwell



**Bell Ringing for
Salvation Army**
at Wal-Mart 9AM-7PM
(One Hour Shifts) on
Wednesday, November
30th

Volunteers needed There will be
a sign up sheet in the Narthex

A Special THANK YOU

Dear Christian Family,
Doris and I would like to thank
everyone for the ministerial appre-
ciation gifts during the month of
October. We truly feel blessed as
we do ministry together in our
community.

Also thank you for the birthday
serenades, cards, texts, and social
media wishes.

-Pastor Frank and Doris



Serving Schedule for November 20, 2022

Worship Leader

Pat Fowler

Communion Prayer

LaVerne Matthews

Offertory Prayer

Gail Doss

Van Driver

Mark Richardson/Jack Maxwell

Serving Schedule for November 13, 2022

Worship Leader

Jan Duffy

Communion Prayer

Ed Lewis

Offertory Prayer

Doris Chlastak

Van Driver

Mark Richardson/Jack Maxwell



**Sunday, November 13th
is pledge Sunday. Don't
forget to return your
pledge cards.**



FIRST SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP BRUNCH

The First Sunday Fello-
ship Brunch will be held on
Sunday, November 6th.

This brunch will have a
Thanksgiving theme in
celebration of the up-
coming Thanksgiving
Holiday. Please bring a
dish to share

Christian Women's Fellowship

Thursday, November 17th at
1:30 p.m., in Church Parlor

Hostess: LuWanna Forister

Program: LaVerne Matthews



**Don't forget the time change!
Be sure and turn your clocks
backward Saturday night,
November 5th.**

NOVEMBER

Upcoming Opportunities

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6:

Daylight Savings Time Ends

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Worship

First Sunday Fellowship Brunch
(Thanksgiving Theme)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10:

5:30 p.m. Board Meeting

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13:

Pledge Sunday

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Worship

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15:

11:30 a.m. Senior Fellowship,
Fellowship Hall

5:30 p.m. Day Care Board Mtg.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17:

1:30 p.m. CWF, Church Parlor

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20:

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Worship

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24:

Happy Thanksgiving

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27:

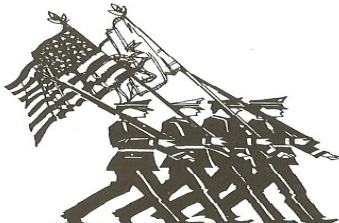
1st Sunday of Advent

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Worship



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



Serving Schedule for November 27, 2022

Worship Leader

Steve Fowler

Communion Prayer

Jack Childress

Offertory Prayer

Pat Fowler

Van Driver

Mark Richardson/Jack Maxwell

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ATTENDANCE REPORT
October 2, 2022

ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL WORSHIP..... 25
SUNDAY SCHOOL
Homebuilders 5
Men's Class 2
Total..... 7

ATTENDANCE REPORT
October 9, 2022

ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL WORSHIP..... 22
SUNDAY SCHOOL
Homebuilders 5
Men's Class 4
Total..... 9

ATTENDANCE REPORT
October 16, 2022

ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL WORSHIP.....29
SUNDAY SCHOOL
Homebuilders 5
Men's Class..... 4
Total9

ATTENDANCE REPORT
October 23, 2022

ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL WORSHIP19
SUNDAY SCHOOL
Homebuilders5
Men's Class4
Total.....9



SIGNS ALONG THE WAY

In my daily travel I have come across a church sign that says "normal is not coming back but Jesus is." Ever since the first century Christians have been wondering when Jesus is coming back.

The apostle Paul had to write a letter to the early church at the Thessaloniki warning them not to be idle and they

should continue doing what they are supposed to be doing daily. We'd all agree that these past two and one half years definitely have not been normal.

For many people the past two and one half years has been an isolation from fear of catching the covid-19 virus and dying.

For many it meant that there was no family get togethers especially around thanksgiving.

This November promises to be the first time in over two years that we as family and church family will be able to get together to share a meal. Sadly though many people feel that there is not much to be thankful for in the United States today.

Inflation is at a record high. We are reminded of it each time we go to the grocery store or gas station.

So how can we be thankful in such times?

The palmist reminds us that even in hard times we should be thankful.

"The Lord is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped; my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him." Psalm 28:7

Again, "I will praise the name of God with a song; I will magnify him with thanksgiving." Psalm 69:30

Of course there are many more,

So as we begin to think about what we are thankful for this thanksgiving, take time to write them down.

There is a legend that goes...

On Nov. 11, 1620 the Mayflower landed on the Northern tip of Cape Cod bringing a group of people searching for religious freedom. We call them the Pilgrims.

It was not easy to settle in a new place... a new world. It was very hard and the Pilgrims suffered greatly.

Winter set in and it was cold and food was in short supply.

It is said that during the cold and harsh winter of 1621, that sometimes only 5 kernels of corn were rationed out to eat. No matter how small something is if we see it as a blessing, it's huge.

What five things are you thankful this thanksgiving?

See you in church Sunday,
Pastor Frank



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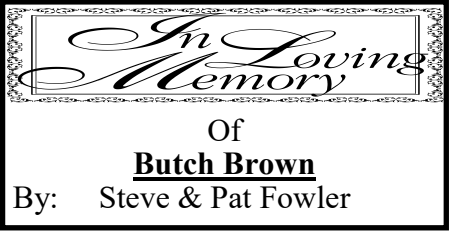
Vince Halferty, Room #221

[Names will remain on our Prayer
Concern list until the Church Office
is notified to remove them.]

Looks Who's Having a
Birthday in November



Linda Childress 2
Stanley Pinkston 15
Delores West 20



Of

Butch Brown

By: Steve & Pat Fowler



I have sent some emails that have been undeliverable due to the recipient getting a new email address. Please let us know if you have had a change in your home address or if you have a new email address. We would love to keep you informed of different events going on at the church. Thanks a bunch!

- Linda