

THE CHURCH SPIRE

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Psalm 107: 1-3: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever.

Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, those he redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the land, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

This week we especially remember all that we have to be grateful for. We are grateful for friends and for family. We are grateful for the memories of those who are no longer with us. We are grateful for shelter, for food, and for blessings we don't even deserve. We "give thanks to the Lord, for He is good." We can see and feel the first verse of this Psalm: God's goodness and steadfast love.

But, it is the second verse of this chapter of the Psalms that really sticks out to me. "Let the redeemed of the Lord say so..." That means, we are supposed to somehow SAY that God is good. We are supposed to speak our thanks to God. And we are supposed to share with others why we are grateful.

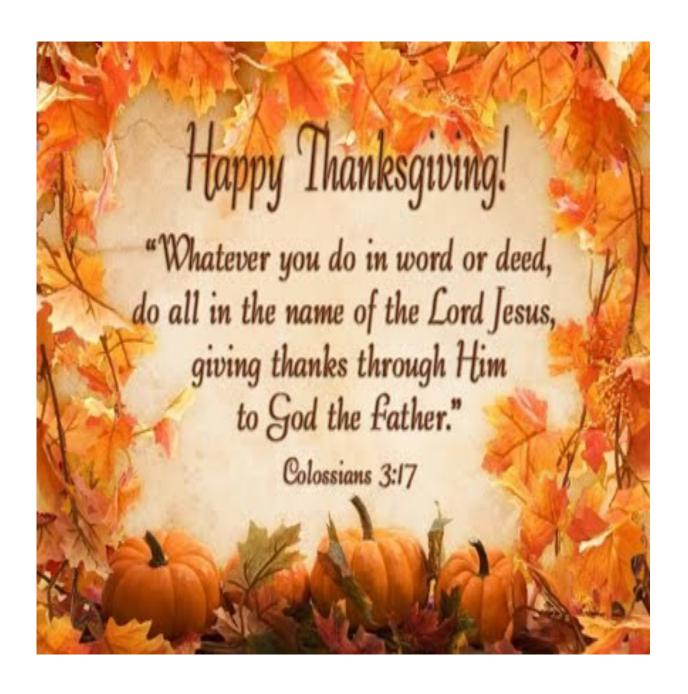
In sum: We are grateful. And from that gratitude, we give back.

Which brings me to a rather exciting new opportunity for our church. The session has now worked to set up way to automatically draft a tithe from your bank account. First of all, how convenient! You can fill out a form and money will automatically be debited out of your bank account each month and will be credited to the church. This doesn't just make tithing easier, but it makes it more consistent. I know, from personal experience, that if I don't tithe right after I get my paycheck, I can easily forget. By the time I remember, the money has already been spent.

Having the money automatically debited from our accounts will ensure a commitment to tithing. It will help us all remember to give back from the many blessings we have. In the same way that we are committed to paying our bills on time and buying groceries each week and putting money away in savings, we are also a church committed to giving back to God what is His. "Let the redeemed say so...." Let us say that we are redeemed, and let us say so by committing to give of our tithes and offerings. It is clear that we have been richly blessed over this past year. And I have been really amazed by the generosity of this church. You all have given of your tithes and offerings, and of your time, and of your gifts. And I am impressed by your commitment to invest in this congregation.

If you would like this service set up, you can fill out a form that is attached to this E-spire, OR you can pick up a form from the church office. Sunday, Nov. 29, forms will also be available in the church bulletins. You can set up your account to automatically tithe on the 1st or 15th of the month, OR both. Once you have completed your form, please turn it in to the church office. This service will go live on Jan. 1, 2016.

Brian and I will be signing up for our automatic tithe! Will you join us?!



Wishing You the Gift of Faith and the Blessing of Hope this Thanksgiving.

Blessings, Micaiah, Brian and Sheri



AUTOMATIC DRAFT NOW AVAILABLE

If you are interested in automatic Draft, fill out the attached form and return it to the church office with a voided check. Forms also available in the Church Office For more information, contact Sheri at 256-574-2575

CHECK OUT OUR

New Website

WHERE YOU'LL FIND THE LATEST NEWS, PARTICIPANT COMMENTS,

UPCOMING EVENTS, VIDEOS, PHOTO GALLERIES, AND MORE!!!

www.scottsborocpc.com

Weekly Youth Bible Study Upcoming Schedule:

6PM-7:30PM. Dinner provided. November 29th: Regular Youth December 6th: Regular Youth December 13th: Regular Youth

December 20th: Ugly Sweater Christmas Party. All Youth and their families (including siblings) are INVITED to put on your ugliest, most outrageous, gaudy Christmas sweater and join us at 6PM for our final session of the year. Please bring a snack and dessert to share!

Prayers of the People:

Tim Allen, Shelia Amos, Mary Jo Bradford, Stroby Stewart; Erica Scott; Bill Beigay; David Patrick; Julie Merwin; Des Noble; Jim Holmes; Judy Hood, Christine Miller, Andy and June Vaughn, Rex Parris, Mike Lee, Michael Boring, Viki Harrell, Miriah Penick, Ivy Bridges, Reese McPhail, Rev. Bill Allen, Charlene Allen, Room in the Inn Program for the upcoming season Cindy Rice's Father-Don Falk, and others in our thoughts and prayers from Sunday, November 22nd, 2015.

If you have a name to add to the prayer list please use the Christian pads in the pews and drop it in the offering plate Sunday morning. You may also email them to: scottsborocpc@gmail.com.

Mark Your Calendars:

Advent Devotionals will be handed out Sunday November 29th. There will be a variety from past years, so you can choose the one you want.

Wreaths and Garland

Wreaths will be tagged and ready for pick-up on Friday December 4th in the morning.

Men's Fellowship Breakfast November 29th at 9AM

Deacon Soup Luncheon December 6th following Worship Service

Sign up sheet located on bulletin board for soups and desserts. Desserts will be used for the silent Auction. All Money raised will go to Christmas Charities.

Decorate the Church for Advent December 4th at 5:30 PM





Sock and Mitten Tree

November 22nd through mid December

Bring Socks, Mittens, and Toboggans

for the Choctaw Indian Children in Oklahoma

"Lunch with the Ladies"

December 14th, 2015 At Stevarino's

"Joy in the Morning" through Music and Worship
Join Us for a Special Christmas Service
11 AM on Sunday December 13th

The Service will include the Children's Christmas Program, readings from our youth, and special music led by our Choir.





Food Pantry Donations Needed

Items Needed:

Ready Microwave Meals, Ready to eat snacks, toiletries, laundry items, cleaning products.



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Christian Education Schedule

Nov. 29- Feb. 7: The following Sunday School classes will be offered

Outreach Class: Video Discussions

Ideal Class: Chapter by Chapter Bible Study through a few Prophets (Taught by Micaiah Tanck)

Mustard Seed Class: Study called The Story, which is a book that walks through the entire Bible, going through each book of the Bible and its major themes and stories. (Taught by Lil Noble)

Youth: Bible Study (Taught by Brian Tanck) Emmaus Class: (Taught by Rachel Cook)

Children's Class: (Taught by Sharon and John Frey & Stella Benson)

*Please consider joining one of the preceding classes. You are welcome to try a couple different classes for the first couple weeks until you find the class you want to be a part of. If you have never been a part of any of these Sunday School classes, give them a shot! We would love to have as many as possible committed to coming to these classes to gain greater Biblical knowledge, as well as grow in fellowship.

Feb. 14- March 27: Lenten Bible Studies, Regular Sunday school classes will continue.

During this time, we will offer a women's Bible study on Monday night at 7 PM, and a men's Bible study on Wednesday morning at 6 AM. The same curriculum will also be taught on Sunday morning during the Sunday school hour at 9:45 AM. **This means that you can choose what time slot works best for you.** You can *either* come during the week to the men or women's groups *OR* you can come on Sunday morning. The curriculum for all three classes will be the same, leaving you the opportunity to pick what time works best for you. The Lenten study will be on the topic of prayer practices AND community service projects. The idea is that we are spiritually formed in order to be sent out.

April 3- May 22: Regular Sunday School classes will continue. Small groups/Bible studies can continue (or even be created!)

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DIRECT PAYMENT AUTHORIZATION Fixed Amount/Date

Depository

I (we) hereby authorize CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, hereinafter called "COMPANY", to initiate debit entries to my (our) account at the financial institution listed below, hereinafter called DEPOSITORY. I (we) acknowledge that the origination of ACH transactions to my (our) account must comply with the provisions of U.S. laws and regulations.

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Note: Written debit authorization <u>must</u> provide that the receiver may revoke the authorization only by notifying the originator in the manner specified in the authorization.



2015

General Fund

Budget Requirements

October 18, 2015 offering: \$ 2382.00

Budget Requires per Sunday: \$6,533.67

YTD Offering: \$ 279,061.17

YTD Budget Requires: \$246,420.18

Attendance for 11/22/15

Sunday School: No Sunday School

Worship: 102

Worship Aids for Sunday

Head Usher: Rodney Bell

Pastor: Micaiah Tanck

Worship Leader: Brian Tanck

Greeter: Larry Stiles and Lil Noble

If you cannot serve, please find someone who will

replace you.

If you need something please call the Church office If no answer please call Micaiah, (205) 478-5985; Brian (630) 730-1577. Your concerns and needs are important to us.

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