

FAMILY, FRIENDS & FAITH

Giving Thanks

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Sunday Services

9:00 am Life Groups
(Bible Study)

10:30 am Worship

11:00 am Kids Worship

I thoroughly enjoyed studying Ecclesiastes with you all during our most recent sermon series. As we move quickly into the holiday season and look toward our celebration of the birth of the Lord Jesus, I thought it would be fitting to embark on a November mini-series about thanksgiving. The focal point of this series is not a discussion of the holiday we celebrate every fourth Thursday in November (though there may be some application for us in regard to our approach and appreciation of this holiday). Instead, we will study God's Word to see how it instructs us in the area of thankfulness and gratitude. I can say this without equivocation; God has a lot to say about us being thankful. It matters to Him!

There are many Hebrew and Greek words that are translated as "thanks" in the Bible, no less than sixteen to be exact! And there are many more translated as "thanksgiving" or "gratitude." In other words, this is important and worth our study. To encourage you to consider this topic and its importance, I point to Romans 1:21, "For although they knew God, they neither glorified him as God nor gave thanks to him, but their thinking became futile and their foolish hearts were darkened." Romans 1:21 is in a section of verses where unbelievers are being described, those the Bible calls "foolish," those under God's wrath.

When we fail to give thanks we are not exhibiting the character of God's people; when we fail to give thanks we are exhibiting the character of unbelievers!

With that in mind: I want to say, "thank you" to all of you. So many of you are faithful to pray for me (and our ministerial staff), offer words of encouragement, give gifts and treats, and simply be a blessing. I thank God for you and thank you for blessing me.

I look forward to us growing together and honoring the Lord together as we look at what the Lord has to say about thankfulness.

Pastor Tommy

Harvest Family Fun Day

Saturday, November 2
4 - 6 pm

Family fun with free food,
games, prizes, bounce
houses & so much more

See you there...rain or shine!



*Sunday
November 3, 2019
at 2:00 am*



WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY: 6:15 pm – 7:30 pm – Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall led by Pastor Tommy or *Experiencing God* led by Raleigh Baggett (Room A08).

NOVEMBER OPEN and LOCK-UP TEAM: Curtis Large and Larry Castello

Join us for fellowship time around the dinner table. **Wednesday Night Dinners** are served from **5:00 pm – 6:00 pm**. Permanent reservations may be made by seeing Betsy Gardner before or after church. Weekly reservations may be made the Sunday before with the **deadline of Tues at noon**. Remember to cancel your reservation by **noon on Tues** or you will be charged for that dinner. The cost is **\$6.00** for adults, and children under 6 are free. Take out dinners are not available. *(Menus are subject to change)*

November 6

Beef Stroganoff over Rice, Kale, Roll, Dessert

November 13

Pasta Fagioli Soup, Salad, Garlic Bread, Dessert

November 20

Ham with Pineapple, Steamed Collards, Sweet Potatoes, Roll, Dessert



TRADITIONS OF THE SEASON HOLIDAY BANQUET – Ladies...Join us as we begin this holiday season on **Sat, Nov 9 at 5:00 pm** in the **Fellowship Hall**. **Cost is \$15.00**. Come prepared to enjoy fellowship, sharing traditions, and a holiday meal. Childcare provided. To honor our widows, your evening is on us. We will provide any transportation that is needed. Just let us know when you sign up. Sign up on the Women's Ministry Bulletin Board in the Main Hallway by **Sun, Nov 3**. Contact Mary Hebert at 757 724-2041 for more information.

CATALYST Youth Ministry

Boys Camping Trip, Sat, Nov 9 at 8:00 am - 6th – 12th grade boys, come enjoy camping and archery at Newport News Campground. We will build relationships by growing spiritually together. Sign up on the Youth bulletin board by **Wed, Nov 6**.






Girls Sleepover, Sat, Nov 9 at 8:00 am - 6th – 12th grade girls, come enjoy teatime and chocolate at this sleepover. We will build relationships by growing spiritually together. Sign up on the Youth bulletin board by **Wed, Nov 6**.



Sat, Nov 16 – 2:30 pm - Get ready for lots of fun and fellowship for the whole family at the Johnson's Farm! Join us for Laser Tag, a cookout, a bonfire, and food. Burgers, hot dogs, and s'mores provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert and a lawn chair. The cost is only \$5.00 per person. **Sign-up Deadline: Sun, Nov 10** on the **Youth bulletin board**. Contact Andrea Cofield (757 758-0198) for more information.



"DAD, YOU CAN NAIL THIS!"

-  **When: Friday, Dec 6, 7:00 pm**
-  **Where: Fellowship Hall**
-  **Cost: \$10**
-  **Sign up by Sun, Nov 17 in the Fellowship Hall or Preschool Wing**
-  **Contact Pete Peterson (757-630-9392) for any questions**

*A great opportunity to be an intentional strategic Dad! You can lead your family to celebrate Christ's birth by building a manger and using it to focus your family on the **Truth of Christmas**.*



INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS EMPHASIS WEEK OF PRAYER

December 1 – 8

Join us on **Sat, Dec 7 at 9:30 am** at Collinswood/Agape Baptist Church for the International Missions Prayer Brunch featuring guest speaker, Laura Davis.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD – Oct 6 – Nov 17

All are invited to participate in Operation Christmas Child (OCC) as we strive “to spread the Gospel among all Nations.” Preprinted shoeboxes are available in the Welcome Center and in the Fellowship Hall. Be sure to stop by the OCC table in the Fellowship Hall to learn more about this ministry, how you can follow your box to its destination, packing tips, and so much more. Also, remember to sign up to volunteer during National Collection Week (Nov 18 – 25) as JMBC serves as a collection location for our community. Contact Rachel Emberton, labmom.75@gmail.com or Christina Banker, christinadbanker@gmail.com for answers to any questions or if you would like to sign up.



THANKSGIVING BASKETS – Any church member wishing to refer someone for a basket should call the church office (484-5568) no later than **Nov 20**. Baskets will be packed on Nov 24 and may be picked up on **Nov 25** in the Fellowship Hall from **10:00 am – 12:00 pm**. Please consider donating a few items to help keep our Food Pantry stocked and ready for baskets. Items needed include: Stove Top stuffing, canned yams, cranberry sauce, gravy (jar or can), peanut butter, jelly, canned fruit, spaghetti pasta and sauce, Jiffy cake mix. NOTE: no vegetables or cereal at this time



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NOVEMBER

MEETINGS / SPECIAL EVENTS

- 2 SAT**
4:00 pm Harvest Family Fun Day (JMBC Grounds)
- 3 SUN**
2:30 pm Senior Ministry at Emily Green Shores
- 5 TUES** **ELECTION DAY**
5:00 am Voting Precinct all Day (Fellowship Hall)
6:30 pm Budget Committee Meeting (Conference Room)
7:00 pm Deacons Meeting (Room 120 – formerly Room 102)
- 7 THUR**
6:00 am Feeding the Homeless (OASIS)
10:30 am WMU Carol Knight Group Meeting (Room A13)
6:30 pm Security Team Meeting (Room 121)
Worship at Harmony at Harbour View
- 9 SAT**
7:00 am Youth boys camping trip (Newport News Park)
5:00 pm Traditions of the Season Holiday Banquet (Fellowship Hall)
6:00 pm Youth girls sleepover (Smith's home)
- 10 SUN**
12:00 pm Parent Adventure Group Second Sunday Lunch (Fellowship Hall)
- 14 THUR**
9:00 am Backpack Delivery to Southwestern Elementary
6:30 pm Church Council Meeting (Choir Room)
- 16 SAT**
2:30 pm Lazer Tag (Johnson's Farm)
- 17 SUN**
12:30 pm Little's Leader Luau (Fellowship Hall)

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOE BOX COLLECTION Nov 18 – 25 (Fellowship Hall)

Mon 11/18, Wed 11/20, Fri 11/22 – 9:00 am – 1:00 pm
 Tues 11/19, 10:00 am – 1:00 pm & 4:30 pm – 6:30 pm
 Thur 11/21, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm & 4:30 pm – 6:30 pm
 Sat, Nov 23 – 9:00 am – 1:00 pm
 Sun, Nov 24 – 1:00 – 5:00 pm
 Mon, Nov 25 – 8:00 am – 10:00 am

- 18 MON**
7:00 pm WMU Barbara Deal Group Mtg (home of Sue Wynn)
- 21 THUR**
7:00 am JOY Group Myrtle Beach Trip
- 24 SUN**
1:00 pm Thanksgiving Box Packing (Fellowship Hall)
- 25 MON**
10:00 am Thanksgiving Box Pick-Up (Fellowship Hall)
- 28 THUR**
Thanksgiving Day (Church Office closed)
- 29 FRI**
Church Office closed

REGULAR WEEKLY SCHEDULE



- SUNDAYS**
9:00 am Life Groups (Bible Study)
10:30 am Worship Gathering
11:00 am Kids Worship K5 – 5th Grade (Room 222)
- MONDAYS**
9:30 am Nifty Knitters (Room A13)
- TUESDAYS**
10:00 am Staff Meeting (Library)
- WEDNESDAYS**
10:00 am Ladies Bible Study (Room A13)
5:00 pm Fellowship Dinner (Fellowship Hall)
6:00 pm Jackson's Joyful Noise (Room 222)
6:15 pm Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)
Experiencing God (Room A07)
Mission Friends (Preschool Hall)
Youth Bible Study (Youth Wing)
6:30 pm Children In Action (Room 222)
Worship Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)



WAYS TO GIVE

There are 3 ways that you can give to Jackson Memorial.

1. Place your offering in the plate when it is passed.
2. Online at www.jacksonmemorial.org, click giving (revised format, must re-enter banking information)
3. Text – our newest form of giving (standard text message rates do apply)

Just follow the instructions below:

Text JMBC and the amount you are giving to 73256, click the link to set up your bank information, then at the bottom click the green GIVE button. You will receive your receipt instantly and also receive an email receipt. We appreciate your faithful giving to the ministry of Jackson Memorial Baptist Church. It is gifts like yours that make it possible for us to continue to function as a vibrant church in our community, nation, and our world.