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MINISTER'S MESSAGE

We all laugh having heard that some school somewhere taught that at the first Thanksgiving the Pilgrims were giving thanks to the Indians. "That's ridiculous!", we say, "look how far our nation and its schools have sunk." True enough. We know: thanks, gratitude, belongs to our God. However helpful some of the native Americans were to the newcomers, God is the Giver of all gifts.

How shall we show Him we are thankful? Say it. Sing it. Sure. That's good! There's more, though.

Yesterday I was at an event for Southwest Christian Care, a hospice and respite care provider in Union City that our church supports. Those who are terminally ill, and those who have loved ones who are infirm or wheelchair bound can receive ministry, all at no charge! It's a wonderful ministry. At the event I attended, there were several there who were in their wheelchairs who have received this ministry, and it was very humbling. To see their positive attitudes. To see their smiles. To see how genuinely grateful they all were. To see their families there volunteering. As I watched, and thought of my own blessedness (able to walk, run, jump, live, go, do) and my own need to show more gratitude, my sense of humbling grew larger.

The Israelites always seemed to be grumbling, they never had enough. Exodus 17:3 says, "...and the people complained." A woman went to the

grocery store. "It stinks in here", she said. She went to the dry-cleaners and frowned, there was an odor in there too. At the bank she complained to the teller, "Smells like a sewer in here!" When she got home, she realized she'd stepped in something earlier in the day—she'd been carrying around the smell with her everywhere she went!

She isn't the only one. What would it look like if we carried around with us the Sweet Smell of Gratitude? We'd say it, sure. And sing it. But we'd show it, most of all. By serving. By loving! By lifting someone who needs a boost! This is something I can do. And you can, too. You live near someone who needs a lift. You surely live WITH someone who needs a lift! And there are dragging, sagging, straining, struggling people all around us. We can feed them. Encourage them. Give them better than they may have given us! Give out of the abundance we've received!

It's a great honor to feed people at Thanksgiving. I hope you'll be a part of our efforts this year! And there are things you can do, today, right now, to show you have a grateful spirit. The World needs more of this kind of aroma!

Love to all—

Tony

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SERMON SERIES

November 2019 Messages: "I *Know* This is True" continues

November 3: "He is Our Sacrifice",

Hebrews 10:1-14

November 10: "He is Our Chief

Shepherd", 1 Peter 5:1-4

November 17: "He is Our Example of

Love", 1 John 3:11-18,

Josh Cox preaching

November 24: "He is Our Lord",

Jude 24-25

Wednesday Menu

NOVEMBER

- 6 Lasagna
- 13 Shepherd's Pie
- 20 Tacos
- 27 Thanksgiving





As we go into the winter months, please remember to donate to the Lilburn Coop. There's always someone in our community in need of food and your generous support coul make a big difference in the life of someone in need. Lilburn Co-op is a Christian ministry serving the needs of individuals and families in our area, as well as the members of all of our supporting churches. Founded in 1994, we are an ongoing expression of God's love in the community.



Upcoming Events:

November 3 WCC Revival, 6:00 pm, call time is 4:00 pm

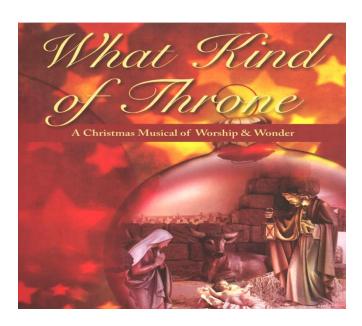
November 10 Christmas music practice, 1:30 – 3:00 pm

November 24 Christmas music practice, 1:30 – 3:00 pm

December 1 HMCC Christmas Program, call time 4:00 pm

December 8 LCC Christmas Program, call time 4:00 pm

December 15 WCC Christmas Program, call time 4:00 pm



Hamilton Mill Christian Church

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Sunday, December 1, 2019

6:00 pm

Lilburn Christian Church

314 Arcado Road Lilburn, GA 30047 www.LilburnChristianChurch.org

Whistleville Christian Church

83 Patrick Mill Road SW Winder, GA 30680 770-867-5746 www.Whistleville Christian Church.org Sunday, December 8, 2019 10:45 am & 6:00 pm

Sunday, December 15, 2019 6:00 pm



We had an awesome time at the Mitcham Farm Corn Maze! A special thanks to Ammie Ventura for ensuring we had enough space in vehicles to transport students! (Below, you'll see some pictures from this event. For some reason, I have no pictures of the corn maze itself...) Our big event for November is the High School Deeper Life Retreat! This is one of my favorite weekends of the year, so sign up your 9th-12th graders! As always, keep me informed of recitals, games, competitions, etc. your students are involved in – I'd love to come out and support them! And remember, I'm here for you and your family! - Josh Cox (Youth Minister)



Our next Wendy's Wednesday is November 13th! If possible, send \$2 with your student for a Frosty (regardless, everyone will receive one). Instead of going to Wendy's, we'll remain at the church, and our adult leaders will bring the Wendy's to us!





This retreat for 9th-12th graders @ North Georgian Christian Camp is Nov. 8-10. The weekend aims encourage students bν preparing them to thrive in their walk with Christ. This the theme, year, SURROUNDED, will take an in-depth look at Hebrews 12:1-3. I hope your high schoolers can join us! We'll meet at the church on Friday at 6pm and return Sunday by the time the church service ends. See Josh for more details.



October Recap

We had another great month in the KUC. I have received lots messages from parents about their kids reciting verses, from three years of age to 10 year old! The upper elementary have been learning about prayer. Each week we give a little experiment (or application activity) for them to try. It has been great to hear their responses and to see some kids really trying to incorporate prayer! Parents, I love to hear these responses, so please share if you have seen your child applying what they learn or practicing their bible memorization. Also, this month, Kaylye Melchor, was baptized! Jeff and I held a baptism class for her, and it was so exciting to see her grasp the understanding of how amazing it is that because of Jesus, all of our sins can be forgiven, and we can look forward to an eternity in heaven! Kaylye has brought 2 friends to church with her this month. One of whom has been coming every week, now! Praise the Lord for this sweet girl and her love for Jesus and her love for others. And praise the Lord for each and every one of our children in the church.

Sundays and Wednesdays in the KUC

In November, our preschool to 2nd grade classes will continue learning Bible Basics during Sunday school. Most of the kids have memorized the first 25-30 books of the bible, and they will hopefully know all of the Old Testament books by the end of the month. They are also learning the anatomy of the bible and will begin some basic overviews of each book. For our Wednesday night and Sunday Worship hour they will continue going through the bible. Our preschool to Kindergarten lessons will cover Exodus to Ruth this month. Our 1st to 2nd grade lessons will cover Exodus.

Our later Elementary Class (3rd to 5th grade) will begin a new series on Giving:

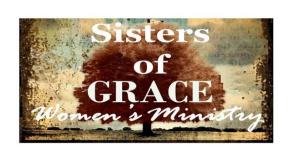
1st week: We are commanded to give. 2nd week: We should give in secret 3rd week: Store up Treasure in Heaven 4th week: Become Like God in our Giving

Memory Verses for December:

Preschool/Kindergarten: You say, "I choose the appointed time; it is I who judge with equity." - Psalm 75:1

1st/2nd grade: The Lord will fight for you; you need only to be still. - Exodus 14:14

Parents, we hope that you will encourage your children to memorize scripture. To help incentivize, we will begin monthly drawings for each age group. Each week your child can be entered into a drawing up to four times (one for reciting the verse, one for being here, one for bringing their bibles, and one for bringing a friend). The drawing will take place at the end of each month.





Annual Ladies Christmas Party

December 12, 2019 at 7:00 pm

in the Family Life Center.

If you are interested in the Women's Ministries, or even if you're just curious, call:

Lynn Akins	770-923-6413	Kandy Davidson	404-697-7367
Pat Ferguson	770-466-5212	Dixie Grimm	404-932-5990
Betty Hubbard	678-446-7926	Pam Morgan	404-697-4293
Cathy Wade	404-867-6102		







Friday Night November 22, 5:00 pm

Decorate for Christmas

There is something for everyone to do.

We need lots of volunteers.

Please call Trish Elkins, 404.660.0426 for any questions.





Bob Collier
Jim Gurr
Jamila Coleman
Jasmine Coleman
Barbara Johnson
Diane Shelton
Betty Hubbard
Sandra Amrhein
Gensie McDonald
Teresa Herring
Scott Phillips
Jason Newman

Marcia Heinz
Glenda Middleton
Wayne Starling
Robert Humphrey
Kandy Davidson
Jeff Truitt
Donna Stamm
Augustus & Mary
Lakpor
Cathy Wade
Milton Shiver

If any of these listed on our prayer list need to be taken off, please contact the church office. We appreciate your help.



We currently have 2 prayer beepers out. We have updated the messages as follows:

Jamila Coleman - prayer beeper number is 770-929-5157

Here is the message you will hear — Hello, you have reached the prayer beeper for Jamila Coleman. She is home now after several weeks of rehab. Her current prayer request is strengthening in her legs and Godly confidence to walk. Thank you for your prayers on Jamila's behalf. Please press 1 and the # sign. Your prayer beep will be sent to her. Thank you.

Gensie McDonald - prayer beeper is 770-929-5130

Here is the message you will hear — Hello, you have reached the prayer beeper for Gensie McDonald. She is continuing chemo-therapy as a precaution, although there are no signs of cancer at this time. Please continue to pray for complete healing. Thank you for your prayers on Gensie's behalf. Please press 1 and the # sign. Your prayer beep will be sent to her. Thank you.



UPCOMING EVENTS

November

- 3 Whistleville Christian Revival, 6:00 pm
- 8 & 9 High School Deeper Life Retreat
- 9 Denise Korb's Wedding
- 9 Men's Breakfast in Chapel 8-10 am
- 10 Glory Gals' in Chapel, Noon 2:00 pm
- 10 CTO practice for Christmas, 1:30 3:00 pm
- Decorate LCC for Christmas, 5:00 pm
- 24 CTO practice for Christmas, 1:30 3:00 pm
- 27 No Wednesday evening activities
- 28 Thanksgiving Outreach

BAPTISMS



Debra Adkins 10/13/19



Frank Thurston 10/13/19



Kaylye Melchor 10/16/19



Abbe Standridge 10-20-2019

December

- 1 Ugly Christmas Sweater Sunday
- 2 CTO Christmas Program at Hamilton Mill Christian Church, 6:00 pm
- 7 KUC Cookie Bake
- 8 Glory Gal's in Chapel, Noon 2:00 pm
- 8 CTO Concert at LCC, 10:45 am & 6:00 pm
- 12 Annual Ladies Christmas Party in FLC, 7:00 pm
- 14 Youth Christmas Party @ The Cox Family's home
- 15 CTO Christmas Program at Whistleville Christian Church, 6:00 pm
- 24 Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, 6:00 pm
- 25 Christmas Day
- 29 De-decorate LCC

Every Week

Sunday:

9:30 am Sunday School Classes, Bell Choir

Practice

10:15 am Coffee & Fellowship

10:45 am Worship Service

Monday:

7:00 pm Men's Bible Study

Tuesday:

9:45 am Ladies Bible Study

Wednesday:

6:30 pm KUC, Youth, Choir, Tech &

Orchestra

7:00 pm Adult Bible Study

WELCOME to our newest MEMBERS!



Lee Samples 10/27/19



Sandy Dunbar 10/6/19

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