



Welcome To The Killeen Church of Christ!

"Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep His commandments: for this is the whole duty of man."-Ecclesiastes 12:13



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SERVICE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS - 9:30 AM

SUNDAY AM WORSHIP - 10:30 AM

SUNDAY PM WORSHIP - 5:00 PM

WEDNESDAY - 6:30 PM

Thanksgiving

By Phil McIntosh



If you're one of those people who cannot wait until it's "pumpkin spice" season, then you're now allowed to go wild. If you go to HEB, Target, or Walmart, you are likely to be inundated with pumpkin spice flavored everything, and I do mean everything (did you know they made pumpkin spice Cheerios and English muffins?). I'm sure those of you who are "pumpkin heads" have already planned or maybe even already have partaken of the latest drink from Starbucks. This time of year brings many favorite foods and spices to our palates and noses. It also heralds the season that so many look forward to in November- Thanksgiving. At that feast there will be turkey, green bean casserole, dressing (or stuffing, come on, let's not argue about what we call it), deviled eggs, gravy, rolls, sweet potato casserole, and pumpkin and pecan pie. Many people will meet with family or friends and enjoy a meal that we likely will take for granted.

Thanksgiving should not be a 'season' or a 'meal' but a lifestyle. The word "thanksgiving" is found in the Bible 40 times; but the attitude surely occurs more frequently. God has given us everything in life, including life itself (*Gen 1:27*). Even those who do not know, or refuse to know God, have been given everything by God (*Acts 17:25; Jms 1:17*). It should hurt our hearts that God has so graciously provided us with life, blessings, care, and joyful experiences in life and yet very few people actually give Him credit, glory, or even acknowledgement (*Lk 17:17-18*).

Millennia ago there was a feast that commemorated all of the wonderful things God had provided for His people. Look at what Moses delivered to the ancient Hebrews: "And the Lord spoke to Moses, saying, ¹⁰Speak to the children of Israel, and say to them: "When you come into the land which I give to you, and reap its harvest, then you shall bring a sheaf of the firstfruits of your harvest to the priest. ¹¹He shall wave the sheaf before the Lord, to be accepted on your behalf; on the day after the Sabbath the priest shall wave it. ¹²And you shall offer on that day, when you wave the sheaf, a male lamb of the first year, without blemish, as a burnt offering to the Lord. ¹³Its grain offering *shall be* two-tenths *of an ephah* of fine flour mixed with oil, an offering made by fire to the Lord, for a sweet aroma; and its drink offering *shall be* of wine, one-fourth of a hin. ¹⁴You shall eat neither bread nor parched grain nor fresh grain until the same day that you have brought an offering to your God; *it shall be* a statute forever throughout your generations in all your dwellings." ' ' -**Leviticus 23:9-14**

The Father had blessed them with grain and produce and they were offering Him the first of all they had in gratitude for all of His wondrous providence. This feast predated the feast we know as Pentecost by seven sabbaths (*Lev 23:15-16*). This feast seems to have been on the day following a Sabbath (*Lev 23:15*). This is interesting since Jesus is called "firstfruits" (*Rom 11:16; 1 Cor 15:20, 23*) and He was raised on Sunday morning, the day following a Sabbath.

We don't observe such a feast today. We do "lay by in store" on the first day of

the week in obedience of the Bible's instruction and with respect and praise for all that God has done for us (*1 Cor 16:1-2; 2 Cor 9:7-11*). The Christian is expected to *live* thanksgiving, not just observe it one day a year because an old President declared it so. We are to eat with thanksgiving (*1 Tim 4:4*), pray with thanksgiving (*Phil 4:6*), fellowship with thanksgiving (*2 Cor 9:16*); evangelize with thanksgiving (*2 Cor 2:14*); praise with thanksgiving (*Rev 7:12*), and look forward to eternal hope with thanksgiving (*1 Cor 15:57*).

Thanksgiving should be a day to fellowship, feast, remember, praise, give gratitude, serve, and praise God for allowing us the opportunity to do all of that and much more. Thanksgiving should be more than one day. While you work up to doing this all year, at least consider trying to do this throughout November: write down some notes that you can work off of and build throughout the month and try to thank God specifically and purposefully for some blessing in your life every day through the month. See how many things you can realize God has blessed you with and see what acknowledging that does to your mind (*Psalms 69:30; 116:17*).



FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON

Join us for our monthly fellowship luncheon on November 3rd, following morning worship. Please bring meats, casseroles, side dishes, & desserts. (Kitchen Group #1 will have kitchen duties: Brenda Sellers, Martha Bell, Amanda Petties, & Vicky Polanco).

Sweet Evangelism



Ladies, join Natalie Fisher and Beverly Williams for an evangelism study with dessert to follow on Saturday, November 16th, following the Ladies Breakfast & Workday at 9:30 am, in the fellowship hall. Please sign up on the ladies' information board.

LET'S BE THANKFUL TOGETHER!

If you might be alone, or do not have plans, or not planning to cook an extravagant meal, then come eat Thanksgiving dinner with us!

Dinner will include fried turkey, dressing, sides, pie, & cake.

28 NOVEMBER

12:00 PM
IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

SCRIPTURE READING

Sunday AM: "Who Are You Voting for?"

1 Peter 2:13-14, 17

"¹³ Submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake: whether it be to the king, as supreme; ¹⁴ Or unto governors, as unto them that are sent by him for the punishment of evildoers, and for the praise of them that do well... ¹⁷ Honour all men. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honour the king."



October Nursery Schedule

- 6-Victoria & Josephine
- 13-Briana & Brittini
- 20-Tracy & Gayle
- 27-Nichole & Brenda
- 11/3-Amanda & Natalie

**We are in need of more ladies to help in the nursery. If you would like to be on the nursery list, please contact the office. Thank you!*

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1-CHERYL FLORES
- 1 -ARETHA YOUNG
- 2-CARLA HEGINBOTHAM
- 3-HANNAH FANE
- 8- GLENDA BOUDREAUX
- 12-HEATHER HEILMAN
- 20-KIM-MARIE SEAY
- 23-KEN RICHARDS
- 24-ASHER WILLIAMS (5)
- 26-MILLIE SIMCOX
- 30-DIANE HOLUBEC

20-HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO ZACK & AMANDA PETTIES (36 YEARS)

ORDER OF SERVICE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2024

- ♦ANNOUNCEMENTS: ANDRÉ PETTAWAY
- ♦1ST PRAYER: PAUL PORTLEY
- ♦SONG: REGGIE BASS
- ♦SCRIPTURE READING: BILLY GAITHER
- ♦SONG: REGGIE BASS
- ♦SERMON: PHIL MCINTOSH
- ♦INVITATION SONG: REGGIE BASS
- ♦SONG BEFORE COMMUNION:
REGGIE BASS
- ♦COMMUNION:
SEAN MALDONADO & IVAN MCINTOSH
- ♦SONG: REGGIE BASS
- ♦OFFERING:
SEAN MALDONADO & IVAN MCINTOSH
- ♦CLOSING SONG: REGGIE BASS
- ♦CLOSING PRAYER: GAYLEN WILLIAMS
- ♦AUDIO/VISUAL:
PATRICK SELLERS/JUELZ MCKENZIE
- ♦SECURITY: BRUCE BROWN & GARY FOSTER
- ♦NURSERY: NICHOLE WILLIAMS & BRENDA SELLERS

October Cleaning Calendar

- May be done any time before the next Sunday.
- Please consult with your team leader for further questions.

6-TEAM PHIL Michelle Beverly Josephine	20-TEAM ROGER Patrick Brenda Linda Alexis	11/3-TEAM KINGSFORD Kim-Marie Jaden Gaylen Nichole
13-TEAM LEE Natalie Ken Adam Nicole	27-TEAM ZACK Amanda Diedre Paul Rubye	

NEWS FROM THE PEWS

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR MILITARY & CIVILIANS IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- Tim Matter is in Bogota, Columbia.
- Diego Castro is at West Point.
- Zack Petties' son-in-law, Glenn Jr., is in Kuwait for a year.

PLEASE KEEP THESE MEMBERS & LOVED ONES IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- Lois Brown is not feeling well.
- Rubye Portley has not been feeling well.
- Barbara Anderson has had multiple sinus infections and had a CT scan last Monday.
- Kim-Marie Seay's brother is having health problems.
- Linda Williams' friend, Ruby, is recovering from a procedure last Wednesday.

CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK & HOME BOUND:

Vicky Polanco's nephew; Brenda & Ken Sellers; Adam Zak's friend's son; Martha Bell; Creta Bales' sister; Millie Simcox; Nicole Tooley's mother; Gaylen Williams's friend; Patsy Fisher; Eddy Gandy; Barbara Hughart; Alexis Gaither's uncle; Kim-Marie Seay's sister; Brenda Sellers' coworker; Rubye Portley's sister; Scott Davis; Julie Odum's brother & mother; Carolyn Williams' daughter; Hannah Fane's father & husband; Mary Lou Daines' son, niece, & friend in Georgia; Barbara Anderson's grandson & brother; Glenda Boudreaux's mother & friend; Michelle McIntosh, aunt, & cousin; Linda Ray; Judy Wall's husband; Monica McClean's sister & brother-in-law; Nada Miller; the Arch family; Tim Matter's family; Josephine Spear's family; Cheryl Flores' father, aunt & brother-in-law; Jon -Jon Simmons; Tracy Wilson's mother; Linda Deem's nephew; Zack & Amanda Petties' family; & Jessie Turner.

SHEEP KEEPERS: There will be a Sheep Keeper meeting following the morning worship with the group leaders in the front of the auditorium.

GUEST SPEAKER: Tonight we have a guest speaker, Michael Stock, who does mission work in the Philippines.

YOUTH DEVOTIONAL: Join us tonight for a Youth Devotional at 6:30 pm, in the fellowship hall.

CHRISTIAN HOMES & FAMILY SERVICES CHANGE CAN DRIVE: Our annual change can drive is underway. The change cans are located in the foyer and the date to have them returned to the office is December 1st.

Our Speaker is Phil McIntosh



*We want to especially welcome our visitors!
If you are visiting, please fill out an attendance card from the back of the pew directly in front of you, and drop it in offering box as you leave. Thank you for your visit and please join us again!*

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☞OCTOBER CALENDAR☞

- 27-Sheep Keeper Leaders' meeting after morning worship
- 27-Guest Speaker, Michael Stock
- 27-Youth Devotional @ 6:30 pm
- 27-Foster's Home for Children Drive ends
- 30-Ladies Bible Class @ 10:00 am, in the fellowship hall

☞NOVEMBER CALENDAR☞

- 2-Men's Breakfast @ 8:30 am, in the fellowship hall
- 3-Daylight Saving Time Ends
- 3-Fellowship Luncheon following morning worship (Kitchen Group #1 will have kitchen duties)
- 6-Wednesday Night Singing
- 6, 13, 20-Ladies Bible Class @ 10:00 am, in the fellowship hall
- 10-Youth Devotional @ 6:30 pm at Matha Bell's
- 16-Ladies Breakfast & Workday and Sweet Evangelism Fellowship @ 9:30 am