



### **Count Your Blessings - Devotional by Katherine Kehler**

"And don't forget to thank Him" (Philippians 4:6).

In my daily devotional one day, the words of the song *Count Your Blessings, Name Them One by One* was included. I haven't sung that song for a long time – the words are tremendous:

Are you ever burdened with a load of care? Does the cross seem heavy you are called to bear? Count your many blessings, ev'ry doubt will fly, And you will be singing as the days go by.

What a wonderful reminder to take the time to think about what God is doing for us. Too often we focus just on the horrid things – the evil, the hurricanes, the floods and devastation and famine.

But take time every day to verbalize or write all you are thankful for. You may want to use this outline. Doing so will revitalize your soul.

**Begin With Thanksgiving** Psalm 100:4 tells us,

*"Enter into His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise."* 

- Thank Him for His patience and forgiveness.
- Thank Him for the privilege of coming into His presence.
- Thank Him for what He has done in and through your life in the last year.

### List What He Has Done

Take time to list what God has done for you. Be specific. Think through every area of your life.

### Become Still Before the Lord. (Psalm 46:10)

- Consider who God is. (Psalm 103)
- Praise Him for His attributes. (Psalm 145)
- Rejoice in your fellowship with Him and that He delights in you. (Proverbs 15:8)
- Read passages of scripture and pray them back to God. (Psalms 146-150)
- Sing to the Lord.

Lord I thank You for the beauty of the seasons. I thank You for health and strength. I thank You for people to love and people who love me. I love You God and thank for loving me first. Amen.



**November 22 6-8pm** Kings Highway Christian Church

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Don't Miss Out & Bring A Friend!

### **Board Meeting Notes**

The Board met on November 18 for the regular bi-monthly meeting.

The 2020 budget submitted by the Financial Oversight Committee was approved and will be submitted to the congregation on December 15.

Outreach reported on upcoming special day offerings and that giving to Church Finance Council, Great River Region, and Noel Food Pantry is on track for the budget year. 21 children from Highland Friendship House were hosted at an awards dinner in October.

Evangelism noted a good attendance at the last Skate Night, with the majority of children being nonmember families.

Property reported recent roofing repairs have been completed and submitted a detailed report about the status of the sanctuary roof. Additional security cameras have been installed and will be tied into the office DVR. The sanctuary window project will be addressed in February. HVAC repairs are complete for the present.

Worship will be purchasing replacement greenery to use during Advent/Christmas.

Diaconate noted that we will be again having Jr. Diaconate members in 2020.

Disciple Women will have a Christmas lunch on December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Trustees reported scheduled meeting with three commercial realtors concerning the sale of the two lots.

George noted:

- The redesigned pew registration pads are helping with visitor follow-up.
- 20 giving units are using online giving, 6 of these are new givers.
- The updated church directory is now available.
- The first stage of the Epiphany Project is nearly complete. A group is finalizing the "Future Story" document, and will report to the congregation in January.
- We are having a great response to our youth fellowships.
- Developing safety and security teams is a work in progress, but are getting started
- We are encouraging each committee to develop a handbook for procedures and resources.

The Board ratified the actions of the Executive Committee in approving the \$1,112 repair of the heat exchanger in the Keystone room furnace.



#### Thanksgiving Special Offering Nov. 24th & Dec. 1st

The Thanksgiving Offering benefits the Colleges, Universities, Seminaries, and Divinity Houses affiliated with the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). Higher education has been an important

focus for Disciples since the very beginning of the movement. Throughout our history, Disciples have founded institutions of higher learning to educate students and form leaders to make a difference in the world. The Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) is still committed to higher education. Your gift to the Thanksgiving Offering helps support the education of thousands of students at our fifteen colleges and universities as well as our seven seminaries and divinity houses.



One half of our Thanksgiving offering will be given to Hope Connections. Hope Connections maintains a Drop-In Center that connects homeless clients as quickly as possible to the services that will lead them to obtain and maintain their various needs. The agency operates a Day Shelter on Levy Street which provides showers, laundry, mail service and a variety of training classes for guiding people experiencing homelessness.

Come join us for **JOY Fellowship Monday, November 25th at 9:30 am** in the Fellowship Hall for crafts, games, lunch and fellowship.





12:30PM - AA Meeting (FH) 6:00PM - Skate Night (FLC) 8:00PM - AA Meeting (KC) Saturday, November 23 10:00AM - NA Meeting (KC) Sunday, November 24 Thanksgiving Sunday **Thanksgiving Special Offering** 9:15AM - Traditional Worship 10:15AM - Sunday School 11:11AM - Contemporary Worship \*Hispanic Worship will join Contemporary No Afternoon Youth Group Meeting Monday, November 25 9:30AM - JOY Fellowship (FH) 12:30PM - AA Meeting (KC) 6:00PM - Elders' Meeting (FH) 8:00PM - AA Meeting (FH) **Tuesday, November 26** 7:00PM - Choir Rehearsal 7:00PM - Doctors' AA (KC) Wednesday, November 27 **Church Office Closed No Bible Study** 12:30PM - AA Meeting (FH) 6:30PM - Contemporary Band Practice **Thursday, November 28 Thanksgiving Day Church Office Closed** 7:00PM - NA Meeting (KC) Friday, November 29 **Church Office Closed** 12:30PM - AA Meeting (FH) 8:00PM - AA Meeting (KC) Saturday, November 30 10:00AM - NA Meeting (KC) Sunday, December 1 **First Sunday of Advent** 9:15AM - Traditional Worship 10:15AM - Sunday School 11:00AM - Sunday School in Spanish (HC) 11:11AM - Contemporary Worship 11:30AM - Worship in Hispanic (HC) 4:00PM - Youth Afternoon Activities Chi Rho (6th-8th grade) CYF (9th-12th grade)

\*You can view the KHCC monthly calendar on our website at www.khcc.org.

FLC - Family Life Center FH - Fellowship Hall KC - Keystone Classroom



#### SAVE THE DATE

December 15th 5:00PM - Christmas Program (Sanctuary) 5:45PM - Santa Claus (Family Life Center) 6:00PM - Fellowship Dinner Annual Congregational Meeting (Immediately following dinner)

# SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

9:15 Traditional Worship 10:15 Sunday School 11:11 Contemporary Worship

# THE RIVER SUNDAY SCHOOL

**Kindergarten - Fifth Grade** This Sunday we continue the story "David the Chosen King". We have lots of great activities planned. We hope to see you there.

**Teachers:** Linda Dame, Carol Peyton, Barbara Peyton

# SERVING SCHEDULE Sunday, November 24 9:15 Greeters Chris Thompson & Pete Bratlie 9:15 Table Madeline Holder & Dennis Wissing 9:15 Diaconate Carla Swilley, Mike Bachtell, John Horton, Lynn Davis, Tammy Fontenot, Bill Miley, Jackie Miley, Janis Miot, Gary Warren 9:15 Soundboard - James Monk 9:15 Communion Preparation **Kim Frazer** 9:15 Counters Gwen Adkins & Sandra West

# YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL

Chi Rho (Middle School) Class The Chi Rho class meets on the second floor across from the River Sunday School. In this class we listen to and discuss Bible passages that help us to understand how God wants us to treat other people and make good

# CHILDREN'S CHURCH Preschool - Second Grade

Following the Children's Moment in our 9:15 & 11:11 worship service the children from preschool age through second grade are invited to follow their teacher to decisions in our life.

**Teachers:** Trish Krippner, Carol Pabst, Martha Burgess

### **CYF (High School) Class**

Our CYF class meets on the third floor of the Education Building across from the archive room. In this class we study Bible passages that help us to better understand the Good News of Jesus Christ and how we can be good disciples of Jesus.

#### Teacher: Kathy Elliott

Children's Church. This special program takes place in the preschool room on the first floor across from the nursery. During Children's Church the kids will hear a story from the Bible, share a snack, and have some guided playtime.

#### Sunday, November 24

9:15 Teacher - Lynn Davis & Andrea Tippett 11:11 Teacher - Debra Burns



If you would like to send a card to Dwight Bailey, his address is listed below.

Rev. Dwight Bailey University of Mississippi Medical Center 2500 N. State Street Room #439 Jackson, MS 39216

If you would like to send a card to Martha Ellis, her address is listed below.

Martha Ellis 9227 Moss Trail Dallas, TX 75231

Our long time church friend Helen Hoffman, will be 100 years old on December 12. If you would like to send a card, her address is listed below.

> Helen Hoffman 603 Hollybrook Drive Box #59 Longview, TX 75605



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POINSETTIA ORDER FORM



It is time to order your Christmas poinsettias and help decorate the Sanctuary. You can place them in honor or memory of someone special to you. Please fill out the information below and turn in with payment to the church office or drop in the offering plate. **Orders due by December 20th.** 

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Name	Ordering:_	

Given by:\_\_

QTY:\_\_\_\_\_ @\$8.50 each = \$\_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of:		

In Honor of:		

Poinsettia Order Forms are available to pick up in the church office and both entries to the sanctuary.

# **Prayer Concerns**

**Our Senior Minister Search Committee** Larry Wise - Health concerns Bette Farmer - Health concerns Dwight Bailey – Spinal Cord Injury, University of Mississippi Medical Center #439 Richard Thompson – Recovering from surgery at WK Extended Care #108 Clint Snell - Recovering from fall Jimmy Monk - Health concerns Pat Jones – Recovering from cataract surgery Martha Ellis - Health concerns Becky Flippo – Recovering at home from hip surgery Kim Fricks - Undergoing Dialysis, on transplant list for pancreas & kidney Dorothy Semon - Health concerns Bill Chambless – Undergoing Chemotherapy (Son of Mary Jo Chambless) Callie Tucker – Health concerns (Friend of Laura Wood) Nancy Poland – Health concerns (Cousin of Debra Burns) Johnny Hicks – Recovering from heart surgery (Friend of Fave Farmer) Mike Elbert – Health concerns (Brother-in-law of Thomas Butler) Dusty Darron – Kidney surgery 11/6 (Friend of *Mona Lisa Garrett*) Amanda Womack – Brain cancer (Friend of *Renee Eakin*) Chris Pratt - Job search Michael Houston – Health concerns (Friend of Mary Anne Bowie & Dennis Wissing)

Please keep Elders updated on prayer request made. Names will be removed after 2 weeks if no update is given.

#### **MILITARY PERSONNEL & THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS**

All members of our armed forces *Mitch Pabst* – Deployed, Iraq *Adam Jarratt* – Marine Corps Reserves *Daniel Jester* – Air Force Reserves *Jay Shaw* – Marine Corps

CELEBRATIONS

We give thanks for the success of the Chi Rho (middle school) & CYF (high school) group's weekend trip to **Fall Fandango**.

#### **ON-GOING PRAYER CONCERNS**

Karen Allen, *Virginia Bacon, Ione Barham, Roger Barham,* Donnie Barmore, Carol Barnes, Candice Berg, Gary Bowie, *Jason Bratlie*, Cade Brewer & Family, Robert Allen Brown, Sonny Brown, *Randy Burch, Dave Burk, Elsie Butler,* Nancy Cothern, *Frank & Nell Crane*, Edinar Alves daSilva, Jacy daSilva, *Linda DeMann, Melissa Drinkard,* Susan Ewing, Sally Falkenrath, Jonn France, *Kent France, Kim Fricks, Mona Lisa Garrett,* Mark Gray, Esther Griffith, *Mary Ann Hallett,* Hallie Hart, Barbara L. Hebert, Fred Harrell, Mark Head, Burly Herrin, Debra Herrin, *Helen Hoffman,* Shelby Houston, *Pat Jones,* Amy Kinniard, *Mahamalea Blizzard Latterner,* Keith Lauter, Bob Lemoine, *Linda Luttrell,* Emma Martin, Laura Martin, Adam McCollough, Joe Micotto, Eva Moton, John Novak, Albert Perrine, Denver Phillips, Fred Phillips, Doris Pijanowski, Jim Reccelli, Shawna Reeves, *Sue Rodenroth, Marina Rodriguez, Charles Sherrer, Dolores Sherrer,* Mary Sistrunk, Bill Smith, Jimmy Smith, Margaret Sour, *Jerry Spearman, Peggy Taylor,* Mercedes Terry, *Marcy Tobey, Clara Williams,* Gary Willingham, Chris Wilson, José Zambrano, *Don Zesch* 

Below is the list of KHCC Elders. Please feel free to contact an elder when you are in need.

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