



November 9, 2025

On the Horizon

Community Thanksgiving Dinner – Invite family & friends for a special night of fellowship & worship on Wednesday 11/19, at 6:00 PM. Sign up in the foyer to attend & to help with the food.

Operation Christmas Child – Join us in providing gifts for children in need around the world by filling a shoebox & bringing it to church before 11/23.

Community Caring Center – We have need for Ramen Noodles, canned meats, mac & cheese, soups, peanut butter, and jelly.

Scheduled Activities

Sunday, November 9

Bible Study at 9:45 AM

Morning Worship at 10:45 AM

Wednesday, November 12

Prayer & Bible Study at 6:30 PM

Pastor's Pondering

Lifeway Research recently asked pastors what their churches did well. Overwhelmingly, the top success for churches was in corporate worship. Coming in dead last, though highly valued, was discipleship.

Reading about this survey, I couldn't help but wonder what definitions they were using to evaluate themselves. What is their idea of doing corporate worship well? Do they mean it is polished and professional, or Spirit led and Scripture based? What is their idea of "discipleship," are they focused on activities or results? And beyond that, why are these separated?

Corporate worship cannot be separated from discipleship when most people have no other connection with the church than on Sunday mornings. When we join for worship, we model our faith, teach Jesus' commandments, and encourage one another to live in faith. That is discipleship.

- Blessings, David

Worship Preparation

We expand on our understanding of living in faith with the multitude of examples alluded to in [Hebrews 11:32-38](#).

November Memory Verse

Proverbs 15:16

Better is a little with the fear of the LORD
Than great treasure and turmoil with it.

Physical Needs:

- Cindy Pratt's treatment for lung cancer (AC)
- Kathy Smith has stage 4 cancer (LH)
- Sheila Pierce has cancer spreading (TB)
- Dean has a terminal cancer diagnosis (MH)
- Leah Iglesias received a difficult diagnosis (TB)
- Steven Wells' stage 4 prostate cancer is getting worse (LL)
- Kelly Spear's sister, Beth, has cancer (AC)
- Kelly Bickett has a blood clot in her leg (GL)
- Dottie Blake has AMD in her eyes (TC)
- David Hester is receiving chemo for stage 4 throat cancer (SB)
- Roger Giddens has stage 4 liver disease and needs a living donor (BS)
- Bob Shaw is receiving radiation treatment for prostate cancer (BS)
- Dan Moody-Musick is recovering from cataract surgery (LM)
- Beverly Tidwell has a PET scan on 11/24 (BT)

Personal Requests:

- Unbelieving family, friends, and acquaintances
- Those who are unemployed & looking for work
- Unspoken prayers carried in our hearts
- David C. suffers from PTSD and alcoholism (LL)
- Pat has poor mental health and alcoholism (TC)
- Hilda Lapointe's extended family (HL)
- Tiffany's mom is off her bipolar meds (GL)
- Julie & Juan have legal and familial issues (LL)
- James and Sharon Rollins as he cares for her
- John Bickett is taking care of his sister (GL)

Please send new prayers or updates to office@embcmail.com. Thank you for keeping us accurate with your updates!

World Events:

- An end to the war in Ukraine
- Peace and justice for Israel & neighbors
- Remaining hostages in Gaza

Ministry Requests:

- Opportunities to strengthen relationships with people who don't know Jesus

In Nursing Care:

- Anita Boynton (Springtown Park) (KH)
- Jane Sutton is on Hospice (MM)

In the Hospital:

- Matt Cornelius is recovering from a heart transplant (AC)
- Tom Cann is recovering from a respiratory infection

Families who have recently lost loved ones:

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Family members in the military:

- Matthew Beaman - Army
- Andrew Cecil - Army
- Alex Grant - Army

Praises:

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Special Days:

- Oliver Bench's Birthday is on 11/12

Thank you for your prayers. We know that many of our praises are due to the prayers of our fellowship.

Giving Report for 11.2.2025

<u>Offering</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>World Missions Giving</u>	
General Offering Needs:	\$ 2,073.35	\$ 91,227.40	2025 Goal	\$6,000.00
General Offering Actual:	\$ 3,606.00	\$ 93,222.90	Nov. Goal	\$5,500.00
Designated Offering:	\$ 125.00	\$ 7,375.00	Last Week	\$ 125.00
Total Offering:	\$ 3,731.00	\$100,597.90	Year To Date	\$5,475.00